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Thousands lose jobs in austerity plans

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Large scale dismissals of state employes and civil servants is the price Israel is paying for economic recovery. The Treasury last week proposed a budget of $21.2 billion for the next fiscal year which incorporates a $500 million reduction in government expenditures.

If it is adopted, another 5,000 civil servants will be fired in addition to the 6,500 laid of earlier as a result of a cabinet decision last July on measures to stabilize the economy.

Government spokesmen said the layoffs caused less social unrest than feared because the terminated employees received generous severance pay. The overall economic program proposed by the Treasury envisions the reduction of the government and civil service work force by 10,000.

Treasury officials said that the number of layoffs next year will depend on the extent of cuts in defence, education and health ministry spending.

In addition to budget cuts, the shekel is in for further devaluation. It stands presently at 1,500 to $1.

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TEL AVIV (JTA) — The cost of living index rose by 4.7% during October, the Central Bureau of Statistics has announced.

It was more than the under 4% rise the economic experts and politicians had hoped for, and will mean that a 3.7% increase will be paid with the October salaries due on Dec. 1.

If the monthly increase had been under 4%, the extra payment would have been held over for another month.

Main factors in the cost of living increase were the cost of housing (up nearly 21%) and higher prices of winter clothing, fruit and vegetables.

During the first 10 months of the year, the COL index rose by 184%, with an inflationary rate during the past 12 months of 247.5%.

SHACHRIT SERVICES

Participants in a day-long vigil on behalf of Soviet Jewry hold shachrit services in Toronto's Nathan Phillips Square. See story on page 27. [Graphic Artists photo]

Arens pours cold water on international talks

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Likud cabinet minister Moshe Arens warned last week that Israeli Premier Shimon Peres cannot agree to an international conference for Middle East peace talks as long as Likud is opposed.

Israel's national unity government "cannot go into an international conference unless both Likud and Labor agree to it," Arens said in an interview here with reporters from the Jewish media. "Peres cannot do it on his own."

Arens, a minister-without-portfolio, also warned that if the national unity government fell apart it would be the "end" of Israel's economic plan, which he said has been achieving "some results."

On the demand of King Hussein of Jordan for an international conference, Arens said Likud would support Peres' original statement that he would accept a United Nations Security Council resolution endorsing direct negotiations between Israel and Jordan. But Arens said Peres has moved away form this position and is now milling to accept an international conference.

Defence Minister Yitzchak Rabin said here recently that if Hussein drops his demand that "declared members" of the Palestine Liberation Organization be included in negotiations, the "obstacle" of an international forum could be overcome.

But Arens stressed that Israel "should not abandon" its long-held position that it wants "direct negotiations between Israel and Jordan without any participation of the Soviet Union."

He noted that it was the USSR that broke diplomatic relations with Israel, and while Israel would be "happy" if the Soviet Union decided to restore them, "we don't feel we have to pay any kind of price for that. Certainly not the price of letting the Soviet Union into negotiations dealing with the very future of the State of Israel."

Takes back seat at summit

No agreement on rights

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Human rights and the Middle East took a back seat at last week's super power summit in Geneva.

U.S. President Ronald Reagan and Soviet General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev signed cultural, consular, academic, scientific and air safety agreements at the conclusion of their 2-day meeting.

But the question of human rights (Jewish emigration and family reunification), which Reagan's national security advisor had said were "close to his heart," was barely mentioned in the joint statement issued at the close of the first Soviet-American summit in six years.

In the one and only direct reference to it, the two leaders "agreed on the importance of resolving humanitarian cases in the spirit of cooperation."

Reagan, in a subsequent address to the United States Congress, said he and Gorbachev had discussed human rights, but he revealed no details.

Reagan in a pre-summit interview, declared he would rely on quiet diplomacy to budge the Soviets to observe the 1975 Helsinki Accords, which contain provisions on family reunification. For what it may be worth, Secretary of State George Shultz disclosed that "intensive"

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Geneva sit-in ends in arrests

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO — Behind the scenes at last week's superpower summit meeting in Geneva, there was enough skullduggery and international legal wrangling to keep even McGill University law professor Irwin Cotler frantically busy.

And Moshe Ronen, the 26-year-old president of the North American Jewish Students' Network, says "it's just good to be home" from Geneva.

Cotler and Ronen called a news conference here last week to recount exactly what took place after Ronen and four other protesters were arrested in Geneva for staging a sit-in at the offices of Aeroflot, the Soviet airline, and were subsequently expelled from Switzerland.

Cotler, a former president of Canadian Jewish Congress, was in Geneva for the Canadian Helsinki Watch Group, a human rights monitoring organization.

And Ronen was there in conjunction with the World Union of Jewish Students to draw attention to the plight of Soviet Jews.

Attention was what he got. And Cotler got very little sleep for three days.

The "Aeroflot 5," as they have come to be known, was a group of five Jewish protesters — including Ronen, a bar admissions student at Osgoode Hall, — who walked into the Aeroflot offices in Geneva and offered to purchase tickets to the Soviet Union for themselves in exchange for five dissidents.

They were led by activist Josef Mendelevich, a religious Jew who spent 11 years in a Soviet prison camp and now lives in Israel.

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Religious argument upheld

Union dues exempted

TORONTO — The Ontario Court of Appeal has ruled that a Jewish man who objected to expressions of support for an independent Palestinian homeland by the Ontario Federation of Labor will not have to pay union dues.

The decision released last week reverses a Divisional Court ruling that Chaim Forer's objection to the OFL resolution was not religious in nature and therefore didn't entitle him to send his dues to a charity instead of the union, as permitted in the Crown Employees Collective Bargaining Act.

Forer, an Ontario government employee who is included in a collective agreement with the Ontario Public Service Employees Union, described the 1982 OFL resolution as "inimical to every human being, in general, and every Jew in particular, who believes in the eternality of the Jewish people and in their God-given right to the land of Israel."

The resolution, passed in the wake of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, urged the Canadian Labor Congress to call on the Canadian government to support "all avenues toward lasting peace" in the Mideast.

It also called for withdrawal of all foreign troops from Lebanon, recognition of Israel's right to live within secure borders based on its pre-1967 territory, recognition of the PLO as the legitimate representative of the Palestinians and support for a secure and independent homeland for Palestinians.

Mr. Justice D.G. Blair said in the decision: "It seems to me that in the multicultural country which Canada has become, there will have to be even greater toleration of a wide variety of religious beliefs and practices than existed before" the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

War criminal suspect will be sent to Israel

WASHINGTON — Accused Nazi war criminal John Demjanjuk will be extradited to Israel to stand trial on charges of murdering 900,000 Jews at the Treblinka concentration camp in Poland, U.S. officials said last week.

The 85-year-old retired Ohio automobile worker allegedly served as a guard at the Treblinka concentration camp in Poland in 1942-43, according to charges filed by the justice department's Office of Special Investigations. His sadistic behavior there earned him the name Ivan the Terrible by prison inmates.

Demjanjuk is accused of having operated the gas chambers at Treblinka. Tens of thousands of Jews were killed at Treblinka. Demjanjuk maintains that he was not a prison guard at the death camp but that he was captured by the Germans and held as a prisoner of war.

Israel has sought extradition from the United States of war criminals living in the U.S. under the terms of a U.S.-Israel extradition treaty signed in 1963.

Labor resists change to Law of Return

KIAMESHA LAKE, NY (JTA) — Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres told 3,000 delegates at the United Synagogue of America biennial convention that the Labor Party would continue to oppose any attempt to change the Law of Return.

"I believe that if another test vote will come in the Knesset, the majority will reject any changes in the existing law," Peres told the Conservative laymen and rabbis assembled here.

He stated that the Labor Party would continue to oppose any legislation that might be offered. "We don't change our minds every half-year. This remains our policy."

The Prime Minister, addressing the convention from Jerusalem live via satellite, pleaded for a 10- to 15-year moratorium on this problem. "This is an issue that divides us. Let us concentrate on those problems that keep us together."

He offered such common concerns as Soviet Jews, peace in the Middle East, enriching the younger generation with a Jewish education, and strengthening Israel spiritually, economically and politically, as areas where Israel and Diaspora Jewry can work together.

Turning to the current ferment regarding Soviet Jews, Peres told the United Synagogue convention that "the gates of emigration will not be opened up again unless Soviet Jews go straight to Israel."

He based this assertion on private conversations, "direct and indirect," that he and other Israeli officials have held with Soviet diplomats.

World-National

Let's talk to moderate Ukrainians

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

The present inquiry by the Deschenes Commission into the presence of war criminals in Canada has had one unfortunate fallout. It appears that Ukrainian and Jewish Canadians are in danger of coming into open conflict with each other because of the commission and its work. There is the added danger that issues totally different from those investigated by Mr. Justice Deschenes are taking the limelight and thereby putting the whole issue of war criminals into a different arena.

Rabbi Plaut

Relationships between the two groups have in the past been virtually non-existent, and despite the attempts of some of their leaders to create a common forum a cool distance has existed between them. There are historical reasons for this. For although the vast majority of the members of both groups are Canadian-born, European memories persist.

Memories

That is especially true for our people who suffered bitterly in progroms perpetrated in the Ukraine in the 1920s, and for which they hold Simon Petlyura, the republic's commander, chiefly responsible. Ukrainians, on the other hand, revere Petlyura as a national liberator and hold him guiltless for the pogroms which, they say, were instigated and exploited by the Soviet government in Moscow who subsequently killed millions of Ukrainians as well. Since historical memories have a large emotional content they do not readily yield to dispassionate assessment. In consequence, each group develops certain perceptions of the other.

Canadian Jews have solidly supported the government's decision to establish the Deschenes Commission so that war criminals living freely in Canada may at last be brought to justice. Jews are fully prepared to accept the findings of the commission and they want every avenue of investigation in order to establish definitely whether there are such individuals presently in our country.

Rationally, this should have nothing to do with any Canadian group, but since a number of the suspects are of Ukrainian origin, Ukrainian Canadians as a whole have felt singled out and have come to see the Deschenes Commision as an inquiry into their own integrity. They especially opposed the suggestion that the commission utilize information and documents obtained in and from the Soviet Union because, they held, the Russians would pervert the evidence in order to discredit Ukrainian independence movements abroad, and especially in Canada.

Mr. Justice Deschenes decided not to heed the argument. He pointed to numerous U.S. investigations of war criminals, during which some evidence was obtained in the Soviet Union. Naturally, said the Justice, all evidence will be subject to careful scrutiny.

Sore point

All of this has resulted in an unfortunate intra-Canadian controversy, and its continuation threatens to injure our always tender social fabric. A particularly sore point is the additional memory that many Jews have of a Ukrainian SS brigade as a participant in vicious butcheries of Jews (a memory which to some Ukrainians seems distorted), which is a serious bar to intra-group dialogue.

Now that the Deschenes Commission had decided to proceed with taking evidence in the Soviet Union, one hopes that from here on it can quickly advance its work. Moreover, since the Ukrainian community itself has been at odds over these events it is essential that contacts between moderate Ukrainians and our community be increased so that the rumblings of mutual unhappiness not develop into open antagonism, with all the bitter consequences which arise therefrom. Too much is at stake for us and them, and for all Canadians, to let this happen.

Coalition bargaining on Law of Return

Some U.S. Jews fear Israeli deal

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

Increasing numbers of Reform and Conservative Jews throughout the United States are becoming clearly uneasy about the prospects that Prime Minister Shimon Peres and other Labor leaders might eventually reach a deal with the Orthodox parties in the Knesset to revise the Law of Return.

There is mounting concern in the American Jewish community that a governmental crisis in Jerusalem — one which would rip apart the national unity coalition — could result in a more narrow-based, Labor-led government which would include the National Religious Party and Agudat Yisrael.

Under such a scenario, Labor presumably would be under intense pressure to accept the Orthodox parties' long-standing demand that the Law of Return be changed to read that only those immigrants who were born to a Jewish mother or who converted through an Orthodox ceremeony would be accepted as automatic citizens upon their arrival in Israel. Reform and Conservative converts would thus be specifically barred.

Over the past year, the Labor leadership has opposed any change in the status quo on this extremely sensitive subject. Indeed, it was Labor which successfully spearheaded the fight in blocking passage of the proposed change when it came up for a roll call in the Knesset earlier this year.

But now, there are signs that Labor's publicly-declared opposition could crumble in the face of last week's near collapse of the national unity government (CJN Nov. 21). Many American Jews believe such a split between Labor and Likud is almost inevitable in advance of the October 1986 "rotation" between Peres and Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Labor's rationalization would be that preventing Likud from returning to power is more important for Israel in the long run — in terms of potential peace negotiations with the Arab states — than worrying about the reaction of American Jewry to such a new political alliance in the Knesset. After all, Labor leaders will argue, there are only a handful of Reform and Conservative converts to Judaism who actually make aliya. Peres already has privately signaled this position to some American Jewish leaders.

There is no doubt, though, that the vast majority of American Jews — who are not Orthodox — would deeply resent such a development. They would not necessarily suspend their financial and political support for Israel, although a few probably would.

Indeed, there have already been warning signs raised across the United States that some — not many, but some — Jews are reducing their financial contributions to the United Jewish Appeal because of this issue.

Fund raisers agree that this argument very often is simply an excuse by these Jews not to give. But they acknowledge that they have been hearing it more and more.

In fact, there was in recent days another warning shot of potentially harsher measures down the road. The Reform movement in the United States and Canada passed a resolution at its just-completed biennial convention in Los Angeles that openly complained about the lack of Jewish Agency funding for Reform programs in Israel.

"While Reform Jews have been strongly committed to the United Jewish Appeal," the resolution said, "there is now substantial dissatisfaction at the lack of support for Reform programs in Israel. Our members will not be content until significant changes are made and priorities are adjusted to reflect our concerns."

This warning follows the controversial decision earlier this year by the umbrella body of Conservative rabbis in America to bar from appearing at their synagogues those Knesset members who voted with the Orthodox parties in favor of revising the Law of Return.

Both of these dramatic decisions underscore the heightened degree of concern among many American Jews over this issue.

But even if they are continuing their ardent involvement in Israel-related causes, there is no doubt that these Reform and Conservative Jews are still deeply hurt and upset by the fact that their rabbis and traditions are not recognized in Israel. Ironically, they are increasingly complaining about what they charge is a lack of religious freedom for Jews in Israel — of all places.

Israeli leaders, they insist, would be making a big mistake in belittling the degree of American Jewish anxiety.

This is by no means a new development. It has been a source of displeasure for many years. But what is relatively new is the clearly increased amount of discussion currently being heard in the Jewish community about the whole subject and the apparently deepening concern that a genuine confrontation between Israel and a large element of Diaspora Jewry could erupt.

Not surprisingly, therefore, it was a major issue at the biennial general assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in Los Angeles. Nearly 3,000 delegates from more than 700 Reform synagogues in the United States and Canada attended the convention. Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, president of the UAHC, spoke bitterly of the ultra-Orthodox efforts to exclude Reform and Conservative Judaism.

Schindler, a past chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, is one of Israel's great champions in the United States. He has been on the front lines in defending Israel for many years. (One need only ask Menachem Begin, who had a special relationship with Schindler when he was Prime Minister.) His credentials, therefore, are impressive.

But in his carefully-prepared speech in Los Angeles, he was very angry in addressing this matter of religious pluralism in Israel.

"The Jewish world must know this: Reform is an adjective, it is not a noun," he said. "The noun is Jew. And so we are Jews. And we will not be read out of the Jewish fold: not in Israel, not in Europe, nor anywhere else on this God's earth.

"And let members of our Reform congregation know this: Reform Judaism is undisputedly authentic, profoundly true to the spirit of the Jewish tradition. Let no one denigrate its worth. It has contributed immeasurably to the creative continuity of the Jewish people. Yes, we are reviled and stoned. But let us not be dismayed. Let us remember that the prophets too were stoned in every generation by those for whom the law is a rockpile. Yet it was the prophets, not the stone-throwers, whose vision inspired our people and gave them the courage to survive."

Reform council honored

TORONTO —

The Toronto-based Canadian Council of Liberal Synagogues is one of 27 North American synagogues and institutions within the Reform movement to receive awards for social action programs from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, it has been announced.

A certificate for outstanding accomplishment was presented to the Canadian Council of Liberal Synagogues for its involvement in Ethiopian relief and the production of an Ethiopian-Hebrew dictionary.

The awards are named for the late Irving Jay Fain, a former chairman of the UAHC's Commission on Social Action.

Israeli firms must produce in U.S. to sell to the IDF

By
NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —

Local companies that want to sell military goods to the Israeli Army are being forced to produce them in the United States.

This absurd situation has developed because of the fact that the Army here has at its disposal a plethora of dollars in U.S. military aid (that must ordinarily be spent on products made in the United States), and relatively few shekels (because of a shrunken domestic defence budget) with which to purchase items manufactured in Israel.

Therefore, in order to qualify for those dollars, El-Op, a world leader in the field of military optics, is negotiating a partnership with a Dallas company; Urdan, which makes the Merkava tank and other heavy equipment, has acquired a metal-works firm in Cleveland and is on the verge of purchasing a foundry in Pennsylvania; Oprotech, which makes electronic inspection systems for military and non-military uses, has set up a plant in the Boston area; and Tadiran, a large telecommunication firm, has acquired a company making night-vision equipment in Long Island.

Under U.S. law, no more than 51% of a product paid for with aid dollars must be manufactured in the United States, and so Israeli firms arrange for the items they make to contain many Israeli components. But the fact remains that experts and knowhow from this country are moving westward, a process that could have grave consequences.

Menachem Meron, director-general of the ministry of defence, is no more pleased with this situation than are Israeli manufacturers, but, he explains, his ministry has no alternative: "It isn't a case of our deciding, of our own free will, that we will buy in the U.S. even though we know that this will harm our own defence industries and lower the quality of military research and development here. Our only choice is between obtaining what we require in the U.S. or not obtaining it at all."

Israeli defence contractors are also setting up U.S. subsidiaries because this enables them to compete more effectively for American Army contracts, where preference is usually given to goods manufactured within the borders of the United States.

To be sure, in 1979, the U.S. and Israel signed a memorandum of Agreement (MOA) designed to ameliorate the imbalance in defence trade between the two countries, and it permits Israeli firms to compete on an equal basis with American companies for U.S. department of defence contracts in regard to 600 specific goods and services. But even when an Israeli company offers the lowest bid for some item sought by the DOD, experience has shown that it will be stubbornly fought in the press and in Congress for months on end by American companies which stand to lose business and American unions which stand to lose jobs.

For example, it took two full years **after** the George Shipposh Engineering Works of Haifa was declared the lowest bidder before it was finally awarded a DOD contract to supply light weight steel pipe, known as "invasion pipe," to the U.S. Army in Britain.

Truth to be told, the 100 or so Israeli firms engaged in the manufacture of weapons and related goods have not hitherto looked to America or other developed nations as their primary markets. They have sold over 90% of their Uzi machineguns, Merkava tanks, Kfir jets and Gabriel sea-to-sea missiles — some $1.2 million worth last year — to customers in Latin America, Africa, East Asia, and, according to some press reports, China. But since the recipient lands represent a very volatile market, and Israel isn't in a position to give them long-term credits they readily receive from other suppliers, companies here have increasingly turned their attention to making extremely sophisticated equipment for extremely sophisticated countries.

Penetrating these new markets, however, will not be easy. Indeed, it won't even be easy to hold on to the shekel-short Israeli market.

Platform to vent inflammatory theories

Bercuson: Keegstra trial counter-productive

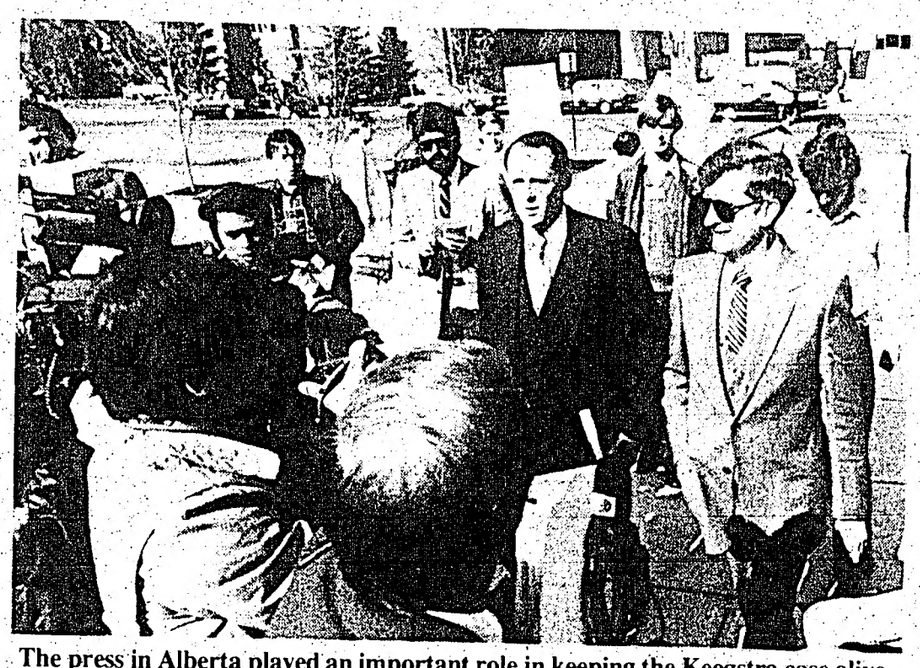
By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —
The co-author of a new book on the Jim Keegstra affair claims the convicted racist's trial was not worth the effort.

David Bercuson, the author of *A Trust Betrayed (Doubleday, $19.95)*, bases his view on the grounds that the 3-month trial afforded Keegstra the opportunity to vent his inflammatory theories without paying a sufficient legal penalty.

Keegstra, a high school teacher and former mayor of Eckville, Alberta, who is now employed as a mechanic, was charged with wilfully promoting hatred against Jews. He taught his students that the Holocaust was a hoax and that Jews were part of an international conspiracy to control, and finally destroy, Christianity.

Found guilty of violating Canada's anti-hate laws, he was fined $5,000. Keegstra has appealed the decision.



The press in Alberta played an important role in keeping the Keegstra case alive, say David Bercuson and Douglas Wertheimer in their book, A Trust Betrayed. In photo are Keegstra (right) and his lawyer Doug Christie.

"Dragged through the mud"

Bercuson, a University of Calgary history professor, and a member of the executive of Calgary's Jewish Community Council, contends that his numerous half-truths, distortions and lies about Jews and Judaism were not even rebutted in the courtroom.

"Keegstra was not forced to recant and the record stands," explains Bercuson, who wrote the book with Douglas Wertheimer, editor and publisher of The Jewish Star, an Alberta publication.

"We were really dragged through the mud. Keegstra was able to spew his garbage all over the media."

And he believes that the fine levied on Keegstra "doesn't mean anything." The judge, he thinks, didn't send him to prison for fear of giving him even more publicity.

Bercuson, here to address the Jewish Book Fair, says it was a mistake to resort to criminal law in this particular case. "Bigotry will not be eliminated by the Criminal Code of Canada. We should have sought remedies in civil law."

A group libel suit, he adds, would have been more effective in this instance. He suggests that the Keegstra affair may have ended differently had he been simply sued. Bercuson referred to the recent case of Mel Mermelstein, a California Holocaust survivor who launched a lawsuit against the Institute of Historical Research for claiming that not a single Jew had been gassed during the war.

In the end, the Institute of Historical Research was ordered to pay Mermelstein $100,000, and to issue a statement formally apologizing for the "pain, anguish and suffering" sustained by survivors like himself.

Bercuson, who says he was "pretty skeptical about the trial process," claims that "society itself, and not the court of law, remains the most effective place to counteract hatred."

According to Bercuson, Keegstra got away with his lies for so long primarily because of "complacency, misguided loyalty and the failure of his colleagues and school officials to understand the depth of his fanaticism."

Still more amazing, Keegstra can theoretically resume his teaching career should one of Alberta's two dozen category-4 Christian fundamentalist schools hire him, says Bercuson.

"Essentially, any yo-yo without a provincial teaching certificate or membership in the Alberta Teachers' Association can get a job there."

In Bercuson's opinion, the then premier, Peter Lougheed, failed to display the needed leadership as the Keegstra episode unfolded. "He never demonstrated any willingess to get out on front on the issue. Lougheed just didn't understand the anguish of the Jewish community."

Bercuson says Lougheed probably perceived the Keegstra affair as a political embarrassment because it raised unpleasant memories of a time in Alberta's history when the Social Credit Party, which was inclined toward anti-semitism, was in power.

Lougheed, he says, did not grant him an interview. But Bercuson, far from suggesting that the former premier may have been anti-semitic himself, asserts: "We were told by people who know him that he hasn't a prejudiced bone in his body."

Bercuson, author of the recently published *Canada and the Birth of Israel (University of Toronto Press)*, says Alberta's Jewish community was traumatized by the Keegstra incident.

•Jews wondered how he could foist his anti-Jewish propaganda on unsuspecting students for a decade virtually with impunity.

•Jews were shocked that, for a while at least, the Alberta Teachers' Association seemed to condone Keegstra's nefarious activities.

•Jews were disappointed by the slowness of Christian churches to condemn Keegstra. In fact, two leading Alberta Catholic clerics claimed that the press had unduly emphasized the case.

"We felt like outsiders," says Bercuson, describing his response to the tepid reaction of the general community. "It never occurred to me that my position in Canadian society would be called into question."

He and Wertheimer credit the press in Alberta for playing a major role in keeping the story alive. And they think that "few people did more in this regard" than Ross Henderson, a young reporter on the staff of the weekly Eckville Examiner.

The authors say the national media, based in Toronto, at first treated the affair as purely a local issue. "It was a curiosity, something that might have been expected out in 'redneck' Alberta, but without important implications for the rest of the country."

It is their contention that The Journal, CBC TV's newsmagazine, exposed Canadians outside Alberta to their "first knowledge" of Keegstra.

Like the mass media, Jews in Alberta learned "only slowly" about the full implications of the Keegstra affair, they write.

Since there was "great uncertainty" regarding Keegstra's support, Alberta Jews were split by the case. Some, thinking that Keegstra represented the tip of an anti-semitic iceberg, reacted cautiously. Others, guided by memories of the Holocaust and Canada's policy to it, favored a less cautious approach.

"These different approaches meant that Jewish reaction... was largely disunited and almost ad hoc," say Bercuson and Wertheimer.

In addition, there was a difference of opinion within the national Jewish community on how best to treat Keegstra from a legal point of view.

Bercuson says that, in the West, Jews were not generally keen about using the Criminal Code. "But you shouldn't conclude from this that we were soft on anti-semites or less militant."

By contrast, Jewish communal leaders in Eastern Canada were in general agreement that the Criminal Code contained enough provisions to convict Keegstra, says Bercuson, who was co-chairman of B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights when the affair blossomed into Canada-wide prominence.

There was yet another source of tension, with Jews in Alberta reacting with some umbrage at attempts by major Jewish organizations headquartered in the East "to take control of the (community's) overall response to Keegstra.

In concluding A Trust Betrayed, a readable, well-researched book, Bercuson and Wertheimer write that the verdict in the trial "will change nothing."

As they put it: "Keegstra still believes as he did. His supporters, in Canada and around the world, still believe in their myths and continue to purvey their medieval Jew-hate. This irrationality will not be stamped out any more than physical disease can be completely conquered. But that doesn't mean we are powerless to deal with the problem.

"The career of Jim Keegstra revealed the democratic weaknesses of a democratic society, but the ending of that career revealed its strengths."

Executive Director

Applications are being sought for the position of Executive Director of the newly formed Vancouver Jewish Federation.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Does it really matter if one mispronounces a Hebrew word?

In the Shulchan 'Aruch, O.H. Chapter 142:1, the rule is given that if the Torah reader, lay or professional, errs and mispronounces one of the vowel pointings, "one rebukes him." Sometimes, much more than a rebuke was handed out to the teacher who had failed to teach proper pronunciation.

Rabbi Burak

Sometimes it could even be a matter of life and death. Here is the way the Talmud tells it in Tractate Baba Basra, 21A-21B: "It is written (in First Kings, Chapter 2:16) 'For Joab and all Israel remained there until he had cut off every male in Edom.' When Joab appeared before David, the latter said to him, 'Why have you acted thus?'

"He replied: 'Because it is written (in Deuteronomy, Chapter 25:19). Thou shalt blot out the males [zekar] of Amalek.' Said David: 'But we read, The Remembrance [zeker) of Amalek?' He replied, 'I was taught to read zekar.' He (Joab) then went to his teacher and asked: 'How didst thou teach me to read?' He replied: 'Zeker.' Thereupon, he drew his sword and threatened to kill him."

The teacher had been negligent. His failure to correct a young boy's error in pronunciation led to the general's failure to understand the command in the Torah, and the order of his sovereign. While not all such errors are this serious, they are not laughing matters. And sometimes they were grimly serious as the Ephraimites found out, and we read it in Judges, Chapter 12:6: "Then said they unto him: 'Say now Shibboleth'; and he said 'Sibboleth'; for he could not . . . pronounce it right; then they laid hold on him and slew him. . . ."

Hebrew is a holy language, and a noble tongue. It is a mitzvah to speak it. But, since it is a mitzvah, it must be spoken correctly. It is the language of the Sovereign of the Universe.

But, since we have been wanderers all over the globe, we lost many of these fine points. In the course of our peregrinations we have even learned to mispronounce our most sacred institution, the Sabbath. Each time in the course of one of my articles that I write the word, Shabbas, it is "corrected" in the editor's office by someone who prefers Shabbes, the Yiddish form, to my word Shabbas.

In the Torah, the word that means the Feast of Weeks, and the word that means oaths, are both spelled the same way. Only the vowel pointings differ. One who is careless in his speech will pronounce Shavu'os as if it were shevu'os (oaths). This makes for some confusion, but not to a flexible mind.

So, an erudite master testing the mental reflexes of a child prodigy asked the lad, "What on earth has the word for oaths, shevu'os, to do with the holy festival celebrating the giving of the Torah, seven weeks after Passover?" The youngster replied: "It's very simple. We all took an oath at Sinai to keep the Ten Commandments, so the Festival of Shevu'os is the Festival of oaths." Bright, but wrong.

The Torah is our life. One cannot play fast and loose with one's life. We need reliable knowledge about our Torah. It's all right for C. H. Spurgeon to tell us in his commentary on the Psalm, The Treasury of David (London, 1875), that the opening word, ashrei, ". . . is plural, and it is a controverted matter whether it is an adjective or a substantive." Then, without any discussion, he tells us, on page 5, that "in the Hebrew, the word "blessed" is a plural noun, ashrey. . . ."

But, it's not alright for the ArtScroll Tehillim to just tell us the names of the sages who say it's an adjective or a noun. Why not ask: How can it be an adjective? In Hebrew, unlike English, the adjective comes after the noun. How can we begin with an adjective alone? And if it is an adjective, how can it be in the plural? The noun, ha-ish, is in the singular.

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"Legal and advisable"

Deschenes seeks foreign evidence

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

OTTAWA —

The Commission of Inquiry on War Criminals, headed by Mr. Justice Jules Deschenes, has decided that it is "both legal and advisable" for it to take evidence abroad.

The commission has said evidence on eight cases appears to be available in the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, the United States, the USSR and Poland.

The commission will be expected to make its own arrangements, External Affairs spokesman Natalie Kirschberg said.

"It's an independent commission of inquiry," Kirschberg said, noting that the Deschenes Commission reports directly to the cabinet, not to a specific department.

However, she added, External Affairs will be providing logistic assistance through Canada's embassies in the countries the commission visits.

Commission counsel Michael Meighen, who with co-counsel Yves Fortier is likely to carry out the actual evidence gathering, indicated the commission would go ahead and negotiate agreements with each country, beginning with the USSR.

The negotiations will likely involve getting foreign governments to agree to strict conditions laid down by Deschenes.

In his 47-page decision on taking the evidence, the commissioner set three provisos which would apply to any trip abroad by the commission.

• There must be safeguards to ensure that the evidence is not tainted.

For instance, Deschenes said, the commission would ask for: independent interpreters; access to original documents; access to witnesses' previous statements; freedom of examination of witnesses in agreement with Canadian rules of evidence; videotaping of such examinations; and that reputations be protected through confidentiality.

The commission will "insist" that these conditions be accepted and observed, Deschenes said. "Failure to agree ought then to be considered as a refusal to cooperate with Canadian justice."

Soviet embassy spokesman Evgeni Pozdnyakov said that, judging by press reports, the commission will be transmitting its requests through External Affairs directly to the Soviet government in Moscow.

"I personally see no objections," he said in an interview. "They can bring their own translators," although, he added, "they (the commission's translators) would not be independent. I would prefer the term 'qualified.' "

• Deschenes himself will not travel outside Canada.

As a member of the Canadian judiciary "answerable to the law alone," he said, he should not risk any confrontation with foreign officials on foreign soil.

• The inquiry must have enough time to collect foreign evidence.

The commission is due to report Dec. 31. However, the commission's office has confirmed that Deschenes has asked the government for an extension of the deadline, although no further details were released.

"The commission is well aware that the time clock is running for the suspects," Deschenes commented in his decision, "but it is not responsible for the 40 years that have elapsed since the end of World War II.

"The quality of the work of the commission and the soundness of its conclusions should not be threatened by unrealistic time constraints," he added.

In his decision, Deschenes said, he considered both the legality and the advisability of hearing foreign evidence.

"Nobody has directly challenged the power of this commission to hear and collect foreign evidence," Deschenes noted, pointing to the authority he was given when the commission was established last February under the Inquiries Act.

And he disposed of an argument based on the Canadian Charter of Rights, advanced by Edmonton MP David Kilgour in a letter to the commission last September.

Kilgour said that Article 15 of the Charter guarantees protection under the law regardless of national or ethnic origin.

If the commission were to take evidence in the USSR, Kilgour wrote, Deschenes would be taking to himself "the right to opt out of our Charter as the highest law of the land."

The commission has no intention of opting out of the Charter, Deschenes commented.

He called any suggestion that the commission would accept evidence from spokesmen for the Soviet government "an unfortunate and serious misunderstanding. . ."

Noting that it was an inquiry, not a trial, conducted under Canadian, not Soviet, law and rules of evidence, Deschenes said that "by no stretch of imagination" would hearing evidence on Soviet territory infringe the rights of any Canadian under the Charter.

He noted that in both the Rauca extradition trial and in a libel suit being heard by the Supreme Court of Ontario, evidence gathered in Lithuania and Hungary was admissible.

On the advisability of hearing foreign evidence, Deschenes wrote, it is the commission's duty to look for all available relevant evidence.

And hearing such evidence would not, as a matter of public policy, "mean putting a stamp of approval" on the government of the country where the evidence was heard.

"The reasons of policy against the advisability for this commission to hear evidence from Eastern Europe do not resist a critical examination," Deschenes wrote.

The issue was raised several weeks ago when Justice Minister John Crosbie said on CTV's Question Period that if at all possible "from a public policy point of view," it would be better if the commission did not travel abroad.

The commission has received a number of submissions on both sides of the issue, and not only from groups with official standing before the commission.

In addition to Kilgour, Ontario Conservative MPP Yuri Shymko, from an east-end Toronto riding, had argued against the use of East bloc evidence.

In a speech to a B'nai B'rith Israel Bonds dinner in Toronto last week, Minister of State for Finance Barbara McDougall said that she knew Deschenes' plans were controversial, "but controversy itself must never deter us" from the pursuit of justice.

"Our government," she said, "is well aware of the atrocities committed under the Nazi regime. . . We are determined to establish the facts."

Domingo speaks Hebrew

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Placido Domingo, the star of grand opera, surprised Israeli television viewers last week by responding to an inteviewer's questions in very good Hebrew. He explained he sang his first operatic roles with the Israel Opera more than 20 years ago.

"I owe a deep debt of gratitude to the late Edis de Philippe, who encouraged me and launched me on my career," he said. De Philippe was the chief diva and founder of the Israel Opera.

Domingo was visiting Israel during a break in the filming of Verdi's Otello, on Crete, in which he plays the title role. It is directed by the Italian, Franco Zafirelli, and produced by the Israeli Menachem Golan.

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three Americans, were refused, they sat down and began singing and chanting prayers.

According to Ronen, airline employees summoned Soviet security agents, who Ronen is certain were really KGB agents. Then, things got a little rough.

"They (the agents) tore our prayer shawls off, grabbed our prayer books and threw them into the street and grabbed our kipot off," Ronen told reporters. There was also plenty of shouting and shoving.

The Soviets, he continued, called Geneva police, who nervously led the five away and charged them with criminal trespass and damaging property, complaints the Soviets laid.

"We were treated like common criminals. We were photographed with numbers, fingerprinted, handcuffed and stripped," Ronen said. "We were not allowed to see any embassy officials or a lawyer. We were held incommunicado."

After a few hours had passed, Ronen was able to convince police that he could eat only kosher food and that he knew of a kosher restaurant in Geneva. Police agreed to take him and there, he saw Irwin Cotler having dinner with Avital Scharansky, wife of Soviet Prisoner of Conscience Anatoly Scharansky.

Moshe Ronen

By this time, Cotler knew of their arrest, and so police could not understand them, he and Ronen spoke in Hebrew.

Ten hours later, Ronen and the other four were taken to the Champs Dollon prison, where again, Ronen said, they were not permitted to see a lawyer or anyone from the consulate. He said he was put in a cell with a bank robber.

It wasn't until the following afternoon that the five were brought before a local magistrate for arraignment. Since the plaintiffs, the Soviets, didn't show up, the judge agreed to dismiss the damage to property charge and said they were free to go. The trespass charge, a serious one in Switzerland, would remain but Ronen and Cotler, his counsel, said the five received assurances they would not be deported.

A few hours later, however, the group's jubilation was quickly dashed. They were picked up again by police, who said the government of the canton of Geneva was choosing to exercise an executive authority by expelling them.

The five were escorted to the airport, where again, Ronen contends, they were held incommunicado and not allowed to speak to consular officials. Cotler was able to communicate with him by handwritten notes only.

Guards eject consul

Ronen said the Canadian consul-general in Geneva did come to the airport. But the meeting between the two was short. After only a few minutes, Ronen said the consul was physically ejected from the room by Swiss guards.

Cotler says he then enlisted the aid of a Swiss lawyer and of Alan Beesley, Canada's ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva. Beesley dispatched two Canadian consuls-general to the airport to prevent Ronen's expulsion.

But it was too late. Despite all the diplomatic intervention, Swiss authorities had already put everyone on flights home.

For Cotler though, the adventures weren't over. Between the time the five were set free and the time the police re-arrested them, Cotler received a phone call, which he described as "frantic."

It seemed that three Torontonians, Stan Solomon, his wife Debbie and lawyer Irwin Fefergrad, were in Geneva accompanying Avital Scharansky. Debbie Solomon is Avital's cousin.

They were all standing on the sidewalk near the Soviet trade mission and Avital, dressed in symbolic prison garb, had a note she wanted to pass to Mikhail Gorbachev's wife, Raisa, asking for her husband's release and for the right of all Soviet Jews to emigrate.

Suddenly, Swiss police swooped down and took them all away.

Avital, the Solomons, Fefergrad and two Israelis were taken to an undisclosed location and a short time later, everyone except Avital was released.

Stan Solomon called Cotler, who called an old friend, Richard Perle, one of the key arms negotiators on the U.S. team.

Perle was in a bargaining session, but later he was able to make a few phone calls. An hour later, Avital was released.

The official explanation was that police, reacting in an almost hairtrigger fashion, feared a "provocative" act by Avital, an Israeli citizen.

Although both Cotler and Ronen had high praise for the Canadian officials in Geneva for having acted quickly and efficiently, they still want Ottawa to file a grievance regarding the group's treatment.

Cotler said Beesley has already filed a complaint with the Geneva and the federal Swiss government over the handling of the affair.

Under Swiss law, someone can be held incommunicado for 24 hours. "But it's how you hold them," Cotler stressed.

He added that the Swiss breached several diplomatic conventions in denying the group access to consular officials, both at the prison and at the airport. At the least, Cotler wants an explanation. At the most, he wants an apology.

And as for the Soviets, Ronen said he will proceed to charge them with assault, through a lawyer in Geneva.

Foremost for Ronen though, is that the Swiss drop the outstanding charge against him of criminal trespass. As a prospective lawyer, it's important, he said, to have a clean slate.

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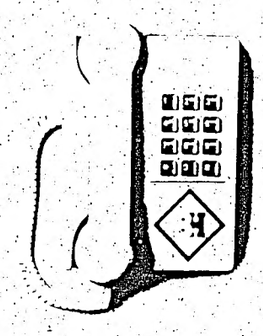

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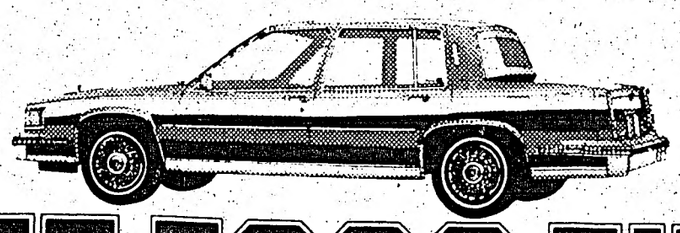

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Marx campaigning for other Quebec Liberals

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — On a recent weekday afternoon, around the midpoint of the Quebec election, the D'Arcy McGee Liberal campaign office brought to mind that television commercial about the famous brand-name automatic washer repairman who sits idle because his product runs so well no one needs his services.

No feverish scrambling for votes here. These campaign workers' candidate Herbert Marx received close to 96% of the vote in the 1981 election, with a plurality of more than 24,000 votes, the highest in the province. Liberal leader Robert Bourassa once hailed Marx as "the most popular politician in the Western world."

Riding organizers are worried that with Marx's victory certain, it may be difficult to get the voters out. They are placing advertisements to remind citizens that "every Liberal vote counts here and in the province." Ads for advance poll voting are specifically aimed at those who may already have gone south by the Dec. 2 election day.

If the campaign office is quiet, it's because most of the D'Arcy McGee workers, like Marx himself, are out hustling support for the Liberals in areas where the outcome is nowhere near as sure. They have been in the eastern Montreal ridings of Mercier (held by former Cultural Communities and Immigration Minister Gerald Godin) and St. Jacques, as well as Bourassa's South Shore riding of Bertrand.

Eiran Harris, a volunteer in the D'Arcy McGee office, said, "it's as if most people don't know there is an election going on."

D'Arcy McGee, which comprises Cote St. Luc, Hampstead, western Snowdon and a small piece of Notre Dame de Grace, is the home of the largest number of Jewish voters by far in Quebec.

The total population of D'Arcy McGee, according to the 1981 census, is 50,201; 29,555 are Jewish. (The riding with the second highest number of Jewish residents is Mont-Royal, held by Liberal John Ciaccia, with 15,510.)

With the Liberals maintaining a small lead in the polls as of last week, the biggest question among Marx supporters was whether Bourassa would name him minister of justice — the portfolio Marx has held in the Liberal shadow cabinet. They are confident he will be appointed to the cabinet, but wonder if Marx will get a senior position appropriate to his qualifications.

Marx has had a high profile over the past five years, doggedly working on a wide variety of issues related to human rights. He has been a favorite of the media, especially so in the French-language press. Marx is also highly respected and liked in the Liberal party.

The Liberals' policy paper on justice released during the campaign is largely based on a document Marx authored early this year entitled L'Avenir de la Justice au Quebec. One year ago, Bourassa was a guest speaker at an evening in honor of Marx on the fifth anniversary of his election as MNA.

At that time, Bourassa called Marx a man of "great intelligence, hard-working and popular," whose advice, especially on constitutional matters, he relied upon.

The fact that Marx is Jewish, and the only Jewish Liberal candidate in this election, will also not hurt his chances at a shot at a top cabinet post. Marx was first elected in a byelection in 1979, after Dr. Victor Goldbloom, the first Jewish Quebec cabinet minister, left politics. Bourassa cannot overlook the bloc support the Liberals receive from the Jewish community.

Bourassa, however, may not have forgotten that Marx supported Daniel Johnson Jr. at the party leadership convention two years ago. But as the dumping of Harry Blank, who was one of only two anglophone MNAs who support Bourassa's leadership comeback, has shown, loyalty may not be a major concern for Bourassa.

Herbert Marx

Not one candidate from either the Liberals or Parti Quebecois has appeared in D'Arcy McGee or at any public function in a Jewish setting anywhere in Montreal (with a couple of minor exceptions), nor at time of writing were any such events scheduled. The exceptions were an address by Marx at a Cote St. Luc synagogue Sunday morning breakfast soon after the election was called, and a debate among all candidates in Westmount riding which was scheduled to take place at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom Nov. 26.

Marx denies the Liberals take the Jewish vote for granted. "There's no question that if we had insisted on other members of the party or Bourassa coming into the riding, we would have had full cooperation. But we agreed their time would be better spent where the Liberals' chances are less."

After nine years in power, the PQ has no illusions about gaining any significant support from Jews, although they do boast seven ethnic candidates in this election. Even among francophone Sephardim, who have been courted over the years by the PQ and been the recipients of some very generous grants from the cultural communities department, the great majority will vote Liberal, observers say.

The New Democratic Party, which is campaigning seriously for the first time in Quebec in a provincial election, has attracted at least five Jewish candidates. The most widely known is Greta Nemiroff, director of the New School at Dawson College and a member of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women, who is running in Westmount.

In D'Arcy McGee, the NDP candidate is Heather Yampolsky, a 24-year-old Concordia University student whose platform includes ensuring adequate care for the elderly.

The Jewish community, like other non-French-Canadians, has not forgotten that Bourassa was the architect of Bill 22, the legislation aimed at guaranteeing the primacy of French in Quebec.

The lack of enthusiasm in the Jewish community for this election does not mean there are no issues it could have raised. In an interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Marx offered the Liberals' position on several of these issues.

Bill 29, the law passed in June denying Jews the right to vote in school board elections in Montreal and Quebec City, would be repealed by the Liberals, he emphasized.

The Liberals have not taken any position during this campaign on Bill 59, the legislation which raised the penalties for opening a store illegally on Sundays and offered only very limited exceptions to Jews, who for religious reasons, close their businesses on Saturdays and open on Sundays.

Marx, who pressed hard for the PQ to recognize that which six days a week a business owner wants to operate is a matter of religious freedom as guaranteed in both the federal and provincial rights charters, says he still holds that position.

Grants to the Jewish day schools would, without question, remain at their present level under a Liberal government, said Marx. As a general principle, Marx noted, the Liberals look more favorably upon private education than the PQ does.

The problem of Jewish immigrant children being ineligible under Bill 101 to attend "English" Jewish day schools might be alleviated by the creation of more special French classes within these schools, similar to what was done by United Talmud Torahs, said Marx.

Marx called Bill 101's requirement that imported kosher food products sold in Quebec bear French labels an "irritant" that should be done away with.

On social service matters, he said there is "no question" that the new "pre-CLSCs" set up in areas serving large Jewish populations, such as Cote St. Luc-Hampstead and Snowdon, should receive the funding to become full CLSCs (small, neighborhood centres dispensing health and social services). At the same time, Marx said a Liberal government would keep the PQ's promise not to transfer budget and staff from Jewish Family Services Social Service Centre to the CLSCs in the reorganization of social services.

His answers to the need for more institutional beds and homecare services for the Jewish elderly were not precise. Bourassa has promised funds to ease overcrowding in hospital emergency wards and to establish more geriatric units in hospitals, as well as making vague commitments on more beds in old-age homes and more home care services.

On his personal feelings about a cabinet post, Marx could only say on the record, "I believe I can aspire to any position for which I am qualified. But only the electors and Mr. Bourassa can make that choice." Whatever job he may be given, Marx says he hopes it will satisfy his love of action.

As for his not supporting Bourassa in his leadership bid in 1983, Marx said, "One thing about Bourassa is that he absolutely holds no grudges." Although Bourassa and Marx, who is 53, are almost the same age, Marx was a student of Bourassa's at the University of Montreal law school in the 60s.

Marx, who grew up in the St. Urbain St. district, sold electrical appliances for a living until entering law school at the age of 32 and eventually becoming a law professor at the U of M and noted constitutional expert.

In summing up his six years in the National Assembly, Marx said "it took a few years to make the transition from professor to politician. I've tried to keep some of the positive elements of academe; I've tried to avoid personal attacks and to deal with substance."

Marx added that "there is no question that I feel and am seen as having a duty to represent not only my riding but all of the Jewish community. If we are in government I will do my utmost to see that the Jewish community gets all it is entitled to."

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By DAVID BIRKAN

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Tiberias was built between the years 14 and 18 CE by Judean ruler Herod the Great, who named it after his patron, the Roman emperor Tiberias. Settlement got off to a rocky start. Neither Herod nor his gesture of tribute to the occupiers of Judea was liked. Jews also believed Tiberias to be an impure site because it was built on graves.

Its strategic commercial location, fertile lands, hot springs and beautiful environs began drawing Jews among the rush of Samaritans, pagans and pensioned-off Roman soldiers. Cohanim, members of the priestly Jewish caste forbidden contact with the dead, stayed away until the city was ritually purified by Shimon Bar Yochai about 120 years later. The Jewish mystic, according to one version, blanketed the area with lupine plants; where they died, graves were found and removed.

With the ploughing-under of Jewish Jerusalem by the emperor Hadrian after the massive Bar Kochba revolt, Tiberias became Israel's educational and religious centre. It hosted the Sanhedrin, Jewish supreme court. The Palestinian Talmud was written there. The correct reading of the Torah and the system of vowel pointing and cantillation were also established in Tiberias.

Jews were allowed back into Jerusalem with the Arab conquest. Tiberias declined into a backwater.

Tiberias' first revival took place in the 16th century under Portuguese refugee Don Joseph Nasi and his aide Joseph Adret; who came into the good graces of the Turkish sultan.

In the mid-18th century, a powerful Arab sheikh, Dakhar al-Umar, gained control of the Galil from troubled Ottoman rule. He restored a measure of law and order to the area. Appreciative of the value of Jewish settlement for local prosperity, he invited Smyrna Chief Rabbi Chaim Abulafia to restore Tiberias' community. The latter eagerly agreed.

In the late summer of 1742, rumors gathered about an impending invasion by the pasha of Damascus with "artillery which fired shells capable of killing 20 men at a distance of six miles." Sheikh Dakhar fortified a tower a mile from Tiberias. Abulafia urged the townspeople to stay and rely on the Almighty's protection. Their flight would insult the sheikh and incur his hatred, demoralize the other townspeople, and leave their homes and property open to plunder, he warned.

Suleiman's army encamped within sight of Tiberias. Dakhar organized its defenders, and instructed his brother Said to stand by with a large force of bedouin. The local Ottoman head gave his official approval — but no material assistance — for the defence.

Suleiman attacked on Saturday, Sept. 8. Some 14 of his troops were killed by a cannonball, a propitious beginning that lifted the spirits of the besieged.

Suleiman withdrew, and opened fire. Miraculously, there were no casualties or damage in the city after two weeks. Dakhar attempted a conciliation; he sent a fine horse to Suleiman as a token of submission. The latter accepted the gift but continued the siege.

Some 1,500 shells and no damage later, the sheikh sent a second horse. Suleiman took it, and again rejected overtures of peace.

Dakhar, trusting to his defences and hesitant about attacking an Ottoman ruler, considered calling in his brother's troops too drastic a step. Suleiman changed to a tactic of blockade, hoping to starve Tiberias into submission; this was frustrated by Dakhar's local allies.

Dakhar made another attempt to break the deadlock with a third horse. When Suleiman insisted on the destruction of the town and allowing his troops to march through the rubble, Dakhar offered to demolish a few stones and allow 10 of Suleiman's soldiers to walk through symbolicaly. Suleiman was adamant.

Now Suleiman tried scaling ladders and diversionary tactics, but these efforts, too, were repulsed. He tried to tunnel under, but went off course. On the occasion of the Moslem feast marking the fasting month of Ramadan, the sheikh sent another gift to Suleiman. He accepted and left to lead a pilgrimage to Mecca on Dec. 1.

Abulafia led the Tiberias Jews' rejoicing at what was considered a miracle; their confinement also spared them from an epidemic of the plague that had been ravaging other parts of the country.

Canadian session at GA

Jewish leaders urged to reach out

By JOE POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — Canadian Jewish communal leaders urged their country's delegates to the 54th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations of Canada and the United States here to broaden their programs to include issues of general concern and to widen their spheres of advocacy to strengthen their political standing as Jews and Canadians.

Speaking at a session on the Jewish Role in the Changing Canadian Political Process attended by some 150 Canadians were McGill University law professor Irwin Cotler; Jack Silverstone, executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress; and Shira Herzog Bessin, national executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee.

Summarizing the session's discussion of such topics as mental receptivity to overtures by the Jewish community and methods of strengthening relationships with various political constituencies, the chairman, Ronald Appleby, president of Toronto Jewish Congress, said "we must understand strategic planning as proud Jews, proud Canadians enhancing the quality of Jewish life" and to "understand the political process."

The week-long assembly, which attracted a record 3,300 delegates, had The Coming of Age of North American Jewry for its theme. The Canadian ambassador to the United States Allan Gotlieb and his wife Sondra entertained the Canadian delegation with a reception at the ambassasdorial residence.

Cotler, a former president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, suggested that the Jewish political agenda must include concerns "expressly Jewish" and of "direct and special interest" such as Israel and anti-semitism. But, he said, it may also include subjects "not specifically Jewish" such as apartheid and arms control.

Cotler suggested four themes: What is the Canadian Jewish political agenda; whom Jews should seek to influence; how to enagage in political advocacy, and what remains to be done, individually and collectively, to effect the process.

He pointed to the recent disclosure that the Canadian government was told by an advisor in 1962 not to bring suspected Nazi criminals to justice because that would be pandering to Jewish revenge. The issue, he said, was not seen in a Canadian context but obscenely as a Jewish issue.

Cotler also noted there is no statement on record of the Trudeau government ever making a response to suggestions for a Canadian remembrance of the Holocaust. This was not because Trudeau is insensitive to the Holocaust or Jews, he said, but because the former prime minister had asked, in effect, "why is this agony any different than any other historical agony? The Holocaust was not seen in terms of "universal significance," Cotler said.

In noting elements with which Jewry should have contact, Cotler urged involvement in the political process "on the inside to make decisions" and "not only try to influence policy from the outside." Emphasizing "most important is the psychological principle," Cotler said "we have to be secure as Jews and Canadians. Our cause is not simply a Jewish cause but a joint cause for all Canadians."

Speaking of political outlook, Silverstone pointed out that the Canadian government took 40 years after World War II to establish a commission of inquiry on suspected Nazi war criminals living in Canada. Silverstone noted a "pervasive mindset" within his experience in Canadian officialdom that he said was "not necessarily anti-Jewish" but which had its own agenda of issues and seeks to avoid others.

Bessin advised the delegates that "believing in a principle is not sufficient; you have to work organizationally and effectively." She noted that 10 years ago a Jewish lobbyist encountered more difficulty within the Jewish community than outside.

"It's much better now in both," she said. "We've come of age in the Canadian political community."

Israel probes spying claim

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The foreign ministry said Sunday it has launched a thorough investigation into allegations that a civilian employee of the U.S. Navy has provided secret defence documents to Israel.

The suspect, Jonathan Pollard, 31, of Washington, was arrested by the FBI last Thursday near the Israel embassy. He was a counterintelligence analyst for the Naval Investigative Service. His wife, Anne Henderson Pollard, 25, was arrested Friday. Both are being held without bail.

The foreign ministry statement stressed that it is not the policy of Israel to spy in the U.S. The policy is to refrain from any intelligence action against the U.S. because of the traditional and special friendly relations between the two countries, the statement said. It added that if the investigation showed there was a deviation from this policy, the "necessary conclusions would be drawn."

There has long been a tacit understanding between the U.S. and Israel not to engage in mutual espionage. It was underscored in the 1981 strategic cooperation agreement between the two countries which precludes espionage activities of any kind. The agreement actually grants Israel a wide range of information under an intelligence sharing clause.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origin over the past few years.

In this regular series, Mr. Catzman reports on his research. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto M4P 1P1.

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DEUTSCH

The readers of this column will have noted that the preponderance of Jewish surnames with which we are familiar are of German or Slavonic origin. This phenomenon is not a coincidence when we realize that approximately one-half of all Jews reside in North America and that 85% of the world's Jews have their roots in Eastern Europe.

Little wonder that we have names like:

Deutsch — German, and from the provinces.
Franconia — Frank, Frankel
Swabia — Schwab
Silesia — Schlessinger

. . . and from the cities —

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Editorial

Apologia in Italy

"Fighting for a cause cannot be considered devoid of valid reasons even if terrorist methods are used."

The argument presented by the defence attorney for the Achille Lauro hijackers at their trial in Genoa last week?

Not on your life.

That incredible statement came from the mouth of the government prosecutor who presented the case against the Palestinian thugs who killed Leon Klinghoffer on a cruise ship and threw his body overboard as if it were carrion.

Italian justice reached its nadir in that inglorious remark redolent of the worst aspects of Marxist dialect and Mussolini-style jurisprudence.

What the Italian prosecutor was saying, beyond his obvious affection for Palestinian terrorism, is that the end justifies the means.

Even more shocking was the court's apparent acquiescence in this view; the hijackers, found guilty of illegal possession of firearms and explosives, were given mild sentences ranging from four to nine years.

Observers of the Italian scene say that the 1-day trial will help to keep the Palestinians incarcerated until prosecutors prepare their case against the hijackers in the murder trial which will be held later.

Given the prosecutor's voice in this assize, one cringes at the prospect of another trial based on the government's interpretation of "valid reasons for terrorism."

Jews cannot be unmindful of the lessons of the Genoa courtroom. Jewish passengers traveling on an Italian cruise ship are "selected" by Palestinian assassins for "special treatment." They along with the other passengers are terrorized for several days. One wheelchair-bound Jew, Leon Klinghoffer, is then killed in a savage display of Palestinian barbarism.

When brought to trial in Italy the perpetrators of these foul acts are slapped on the wrist and the government prosecutor delivers an apologia for the terrorists.

Grave disservice

Last week, American rebbetzin Esther Jungreis, columnist and TV personality, addressed a group of high school and university students in Toronto. Jungreis, a charismatic and forceful speaker, packs a punch with her fervent, evangelical call to young Jews to return to the fold, stop intermarrying and avoid cults.

But there was one very troubling component in her talk. Asked of the recent establishment in Israel of a Mormon mission, Jungreis' face froze and she said, plain as day, that Mormons "are insidious."

"They say 'We love the Jews, Jesus was Jewish,' " she sneered, and suggested that Christian proselytization of Jews is a greater threat than Arab aggression.

With this remark about Mormons— peace-loving, moral people— what then separates Jungreis from Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan, who says Judaism is a gutter religion? How is her statement different from U.S. evangelist Jimmy Swaggart's belief that all non-Christians are going to hell?

Jungreis is doing a grave disservice to Jews everywhere in vocalizing her prejudice against, for example, Mormons. One can only imagine what she thinks of other, more doctrinaire Christian denominations, or other religions altogether.

Isn't it painfully obvious by now that the belief that one religion is superior to another has gotten more people butchered throughout history than any other? Shouldn't Jews, of all people, be most sensitive to that?

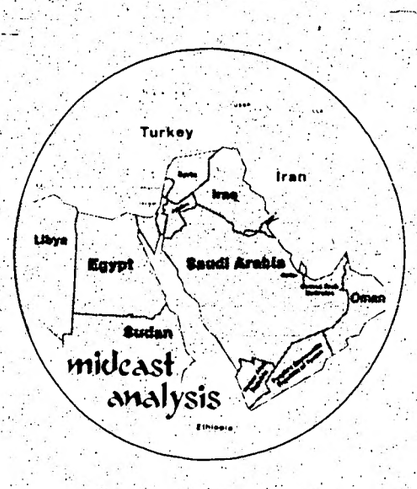
Jungreis is an evangelist. She thumps the Bible, just like the Sunday morning television personalities. What would be the reaction if one of them said Jews are insidious?

As a Torah scholar, Jungreis would be well advised to read about loving one's neighbor as oneself.

And about her harangues over intermarriage ("What Hitler couldn't do, we are doing to ourselves"), we are reminded of something Max Dimont, author of The Indestructible Jews, once said: "I'd rather see a Jew disappear in a bedroom than in a gas chamber."

Faces daunting challenge

Wounded Arafat rebuilding



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Yasser Arafat's fortunes hit a new low last month. But now, once again, he is gradually rebuilding his base.

October was certainly a black month for the PLO leader, who has lived through darker days since the 1970-71 Jordanian civil war. It began with the Israeli air force's destruction of his reconstituted headquarters near Tunis, and it ended with dire predictions that he and King Hussein of Jordan were heading for a dramatic break in their relationship.

But for Arafat, the worst single crisis to face him, the event which triggered the setbacks which followed, was the Achille Lauro hijacking.

In terms of public relations, which is no minor consideration for a besieged politician like Arafat, the Achille Lauro affair was an unmitigated disaster.

Arafat denied any complicity in the hijacking, and through his spokesmen, he heatedly maintained that Leon Klinghoffer, one of the passengers, had died of a heart attack and had not been killed by the hijackers.

Yet, in the cold light of the available evidence, Arafat's fatuous story unraveled at the seams, setting in train a series of consequences for which the PLO has paid dearly.

Arafat was deeply embarrassed when Syria, which has been at odds with him for several years, recovered Klinghoffer's decomposing body off the coast of Tartus and immediately handed it over to the U.S. embassy in Damascus. The Syrians, obviously, wanted to shake Arafat's credibility. Two ensuing autopsies, one in Syria and the other in Italy, proved beyond any doubt that the elderly, disabled American Jew had been shot by one of the Palestinian pirates.

Yasser Arafat

But this disclosure was but only one facet of Arafat's discomfiture. It emerged that Mohammed Abbas, the head of the pro-Arafat Palestine Liberation Front, which commandeered the Italian cruise liner, knew about the hijacking in advance. Israel and the U.S., saying they had proof of the PLO's involvement, charged Abbas with masterminding it. It was inconceivable that Arafat would not have been aware of the operation. On the world stage of public opinion, he was thereby exposed as a liar.

The hijacking also put Arafat's relations with Egypt into some jeopardy, since President Hosni Mubarak was humiliated by the whole affair, and led to the collapse of a Socialist government in Italy whose prime minister had displayed more than a measure of sympathy for the Palestinian cause.

In the midst of this turmoil, the General Assembly dealt Arafat a blow by canceling his invitation to attend the 40th anniversary commemoration of the United Nations. The U.S. had threatened to boycott it if Arafat showed up.

On the same day the UN rebuffed Arafat, a row erupted in Britain when the British government suddenly called off a meeting with a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation on the peace process. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the British foreign secretary, claimed that two of its Palestinian members associated with the PLO had violated a prior understanding by refusing to sign a declaration recognizing Israel's existence.

This diplomatic fiasco, which also reflected badly on Britain, angered King Hussein, who last February signed an accord with the PLO which committed it, on paper, to a just and peaceful settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

After what happened in London, King Hussein let it be known that he planned to "reassess the entire situation." Observers interpreted this to mean that Arafat's status as a potential partner in Middle East peace negotiations was on the line.

Then, in the waning days of October, France, which has been friendly to Palestinian aspirations, expressed displeasure with Arafat by announcing that it would review its policy toward the PLO.

Since these setbacks, Arafat has improved his relations with Jordan and Egypt. But it would be wrong to assume that he has bounced back completely. In many ways, the wounds he sustained during the Achille Lauro episode have not healed.

Arafat, as a result of his recent talks in Amman, has apparently patched up his mercurial relationship with the Jordanian monarch. It is unclear whether King Hussein and Arafat reached any firm agreements. But the long and short of it is that the pair remain wedded politically, a fact Israel can only ignore at its peril in its search for an acceptable settlement. It appears that Jordan, Israeli expectations notwithstanding, is not prepared to jettison the PLO.

The same holds true for Egypt. The hijacking of the Achille Lauro propelled Hosni Mubarak into an unpleasant and counter-productive confrontation with the U.S. Yet Egypt has not abandoned Arafat or the PLO. Mubarak invited Arafat to Cairo earlier this month and they produced what the Egyptians call the Cairo Declaration, under which Arafat renounced the use of violence outside the occupied territories.

Israel regards the document skeptically, while Jordan describes it as a "positive step." Egypt, which has a formal peace treaty with Israel, sees the Cairo Declaration as proof of Arafat's good intentions. Furthermore, Mubarak seems convinced that Arafat is indespensable to the peace process. As he put it: "Arafat is the figure accepted by all Palestinians, and it is not for us to suggest another person. We must still make full use of him in order to reach peace."

Arafat also has reason to be pleased by the turn of events in Europe of late. France, having backtracked, has reaffirmed its view that the PLO

King Hussein

should participate at peace talks. Significantly, the French announcement was made during King Hussein's visit to Paris.

In Italy, Bettino Craxi's coalition government has been resurrected, and this must be good news to Arafat. Yet, under the impact of the Achille Lauro hijacking, the PLO has been somewhat diminished in Italian politics.

Before Craxi's resignation, which was brought about by disagreements over Italy's handling of the affair, Italian policy simply favored PLO participation in peace negotiations. In order to retain the premiership, Craxi had to agree to a demand by Defence Minister Giovanni Spadolini's Republic Party that the PLO could take part in Mideast talks only if it "follows without reservations the road of peaceful negotiations."

On the face of it, this clause represents a setback to the PLO. But in actual fact, it is open to different interpretations. And Craxi, who caused an uproar in parliament when he said he did not "contest the legitimacy" of the PLO's recourse to "armed struggle," will probably give the PLO the benefit of the doubt in any future controversy.

But Arafat, having partially or wholly rehabilitated himself in the eyes of the Italian, French, Egyptian and Jordanian governments, nevertheless faces daunting challenges.

The Syrian-instigated rebellion within the PLO, which came to a head two years ago, continues to brew. Aharon Yariv, the former director of Israeli military intelligence and now head of Tel Aviv University's Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies, said recently that Arafat "is not the master of his own house."

At present, the PLO is split into three distinct factions, and it is likely that the rift will grow ever wider should Arafat make concessions to Israel. He has already offended radical voices in the splintered PLO with his pledge not to mount operations abroad. So it is certain that Arafat will spend a good deal of his time dealing with the internecine squabbles which bedevil the PLO.

There is also a question mark over his status in Tunisia, which was stung by Israel's air raid. According to reports, President Habib Bourguiba wants to eject the PLO from Tunisian soil, while his cabinet opposes his proposal. Israeli Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin said recently he would not be surprised if the PLO moved its headquarters to Iraq in the next few months. Arafat has visited Baghdad since Israel's aerial assault.

Another problem facing Arafat is American hostility. Prior to the Achille Lauro hijacking, the U.S. was on record as favoring PLO participation in peace talks, provided it recognized Israel and renounced terrorism. In its wake, Washington's position has hardened to the point where Secretary of State George Shultz has said that the PLO "doesn't deserve a place at the peace table."

If this anti-PLO bias becomes the basis of U.S. policy, the PLO will be shut out of any serious peace negotiations. And if this should occur, Arafat will either have to moderate his policies still further, or throw in his lot with the radicals. For Arafat, each option carries enormous risks.

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Book about controversial rabbi gaining fame

Bribes could have saved Jewish lives, author says

By
DAVID BIRKAN

JERUSALEM —

Scholar-historian Abraham Fuchs sits in the eye of the tempest unleashed by his book The Unheeded Cry quietly finishing revisions for the second edition.

Fuchs, 58, a semi-retired school teacher, is also working on a study of rabbinic responsa, lectures and directives during the Holocaust. He is incorporating letters and other documents made available since the publication of two previous books on aspects of halacha and the Holocaust several years ago.

Fuchs and his wife Ada taught Jewish history and Bible at Toronto's Associated Hebrew Schools and at the city's Jewish Teachers' Seminary during the mid-60s.

The routine of commuting from his quiet apartment to Yad Vashem and other archives and back to his desk is under increasing threat by the popularity of The Unheeded Cry, the biography of controversial Rabbi Chaim Michael Dov Weissmandl, the man who tried to bribe the Holocaust to a halt.

"People see me and ask me questions on the street, and phone me at home," Fuchs told The Canadian Jewish News. Lectures across the country and press reports here and abroad accompanied by recriminating editorials have made him a reluctant celebrity. "But it's all for the good. Weissmandl's story must be told," he said. "I am glad to speak about it, any place, any time."

Abraham Fuchs prepares revision for second edition of The Unheeded Cry.

A recent lecture at Boys Town Jerusalem expanded from its scheduled 30 minutes to over two hours, as awed students and staff alike peppered him with questions. Former chief rabbi of Israel Shlomo Goren called for a public commission to explore the national ramifications of the book's revelations. "One journalist who interviewed me from Ha'aretz (the New York Times of Israel) was so moved by Weissmandl that she set out to write a novel about him," he added.

The Unheeded Cry made its debut nearly a year ago, published by ArtScroll. A friend visiting New York at the time reported back that some 40 hardcovered and 25 softcover copies were sold out in one large store by mid-afternoon of the first day.

Fuch's book suggests that a great many lives could have been saved had Jewish leaders responded to Weissmandl's desperate urgings to provide money with which to bribe Nazi officials. Only reluctantly did Sally Mayer, head of the Joint Distribution Committee agree to provide $200,000 — and thus, to the chagrin of the Nazis, to be frozen in a U.S. bank until the end of the war, as Mayer did not want to contravene U.S. fund transfer regulations. Fuch's documented research indicates the Joint then had some $64 million in UJA funds at its disposal.

World Jewish Congress reaction to the Nazi extermination program was slow, vacillating and ineffectual, under leader Stephen Wise.

In pre-statehood Israel, Jewish Agency rescue committee chairman Yitzhak Greenbaum argued vociferously against Keren Hayesod funds to the Diaspora. He wrote in a memorandum that at most only "children who have undergone Zionist training and Zionist officials" should be saved. Nathan Schwalb, head of the Swiss office of the Zionist-affiliated Merkaz Hechalutz, declared it was chutzpah to expect nations shedding their own blood to allow funds to be transferred to their enemy. Also, he added, "only with blood will we have a state."

Pope Pius XII's few and mild condemnations of the Holocaust are also described.

Efforts later by Joel Brand to buy "blood for trucks" were, according to Fuchs, hampered by internal politicians, before being decisively sabotaged by the British. A success by Rudolf Kastner engendered much controversy.

Weissmandl pursued his efforts with a rent soul.

In 1942, he raised $50,000 for the SS head in Slovakia Dieter Wisliceny. Local deportations were suspended immediately. Only two years later were they resumed, after a Slovakian uprising in which Jews played a prominent role.

In 1943, Wisliceny — with the apparent knowledge of Heinrich Himmler — agreed to save 1 million Jews for $2 million. The deal fell apart when the money was not forthcoming.

In 1944, Weissmandl sent copies of a map of Auschwitz hand-drawn by two escapees to communal leaders urging them to press the Allies to destroy its rail lines. He renewed his pleas when the deportations of Hungarian Jewry got under way in the early summer under Adolf Eichmann.

Weissmandl himself survived the Holocaust by sawing through the lock of an Auschwitz-bound train — he brought a number of little saws along to distribute to the other passengers — and jumping to safety at night. His family, in another car, was carried on to its destruction. After the war, he founded a yeshiva in Mt. Kisco, New York.

Fuchs' clear and understated writing style, textbook-like layout, and wealth of photographs and documents make it eminently readable and authoritative.

Fuchs, who is preparing a North American lecture tour, is planning to visit Toronto next May. His address is 35 Chaim Vital, Givat Shaul, Jerusalem.

Kfar Vradim belies Israeli problems

By
CARL ALPERT

NAHARIYA —

How does one go about building a city? In the early days of the state it was done by unloading 40 or 50 truckloads of new immigrants in some forsaken spot in the mountains or the desert, and telling them that eventually there would be homes, jobs and schools there. That system gave birth to the so-called development towns, most of which are still problem towns.

Nahariya industrialist Stef Wertheimer believed that there is another and a better way possible under present circumstances, and Kfar Vradim (Rose Garden City) in the Galilee hills, less than half an hour's drive from Nahariya on the coast, is the answer.

Only two years ago it was a bare windswept hill, 2,100 feet above sea level, with a commanding view of the rocky Galilee slopes. When school opened this fall, Kfar Vradim proudly announced, 230 satchels were filled with books and 230 school lunches were packed for the children of the resident first hundred families.

Which comes first, population or jobs or the necessary infrastructure? Wertheimer decided they must be provided simultaneously. How much help must be demanded of the government, in accordance with what has become common practice in Israel? Wertheimer decided neither to ask for government financing nor to accept it, and the result has been a decisive vindication of the success of private initiative when freed from red tape, bureaucracy and endless government controls.

We walked the streets of Kfar Vradim and found what is perhaps the busiest single construction site in the entire country. More than 300 additional homes are being rushed to completion, all of them in tasteful architecture, and quite unlike the drab blocks which have made so many of Israel's new towns look like depressed tenement areas even before they are occupied.

The work goes fast because all the utility lines and pipes to each plot are already in place. Attractive street lighting has been completed. The school was put up in record time. Shopping facilities are available, pending completion of the new shopping complex.

The general area is known as Tefen, the heartland of major new industries, and the Kfar Vradim management office has one wall completely covered with a list of personnel required in the neighborhood. Engineers, accountants, nurses, economists are among the many professions required. Some of Israel's giant companies have set up plants here, especially in high-technology industry, but there is also industrial and business space available for the small, ambitious entrepreneur.

We spoke to one, Aryeh Moscowitz, an Israeli who had spent a dozen years in New York, but has now come back to make his home in Kfar Vradim. His field is silk screen printing, and he had reproduced the art of many of Israel's leading artists, including Rubin, Janco, Bergner and Meierowitz. In his ample workshop at Tefen Industrial Park, he is now producing limited editions of some of Agam's beautiful works.

There is a bustle and an air of growth and optimism in Kfar Vradim which belies the recession atmosphere elsewhere in Israel. This is to be a town with integrated services, with a central television antenna for all and computer connections from each home to the town centre, among other progressive improvements.

This is no place for speculators. Those who wish to buy plots must be approved by the committee and must build within a reasonable time or get out. Cost of a home here is less than in the heart of Israel's big cities. It is also an ideal place for retirees who like quiet country life and a surrounding garden, together with the major advantages of a city.

The area is zoned for non-pollutant industry only. The master plan limits the population to 3,000 families, with an intermixture of Israelis and new immigrants, largely from the West.

Three years ago Kfar Vradim did not appear on any map. Today it is already a living reality — yet another demonstration of a new kind of Israel.

Search for Penang's last Jews gives vital lesson

By
STEVE KANTOR

PENANG, Malaysia —

The wild grass encased the tombstone of Sason Hai Jacob (1945-1972) and the smell of burned grass, weeds and trash permeated throughout the abandoned Jewish community in Penang, in Southeastern Asia. I started the day searching for a local Jew, Abram Jacob, the history of the Jews of Penang Island and the city of Georgetown. My day ended with the discovery that Abram Jacob may have left Penang because there were no Jews who remained to bury him when he died.

The Jewish cemetery, reflecting the history of the Ashkenazic and Sephardic community, contained 70 graves dating from 1835 to 1978. These triangular tombstones, with purely Hebrew inscriptions on the ends were tightly grouped into two sections in a variety of shapes and sizes that stuck out among the overgrown weeds.

Debris covered the large rectangular tomsbtones and I brushed away the grass and dirt to read the names. The 8-foot walls of the cemetery did not conceal the laundry hanging from the nearby Chinese homes.

Unfortunately, the local neighbors used the walls as a convenient dumping ground for their trash.

A shack house sat in one corner with laundry hanging out to dry while two small children played with a ball, near the shack. Perhaps the family took care of the cemetery, or perhaps they were squatters, sadly similar to the City of the Dead in Cairo and Mexico City.

I silently said the Kaddish, hoping that since Abram Jacob had left Penang, other Jews had come and said Kaddish over these forgotten graves. As I carefully copied the names and dates onto a note pad, I felt that I was making small tribute to their lives and resting place.

The cemetery squeezed between Chinese residences was built in the 1930s and the 1940s on the former Jalan Yahudi (Jewish Street) which is now called Jalan Zainal Abidin after a local Muslim leader.

Following my initial shock of discovering that Abram Jacob had left Penang, I then learned that the local government had taken away Jalan Yahudi. The map said Yahudi, the guidebook said Yahudi; but the bright new sign quietly affirmed that there was no longer a Jewish community in Penang.

At the corner restaurant a group of Chinese sat eating their porridge breakfast when I asked them about Jalan Yahudi. "Yeah, that was Jewish Yahudi," said an older Chinese man pointing to the street, "but they changed the name last year." With a sensitivity to persecution I asked, "Why did they change the name?"

"Don't know," answered the Chinese man. His empty reply and the symbolism of the name change left me feeling sombre.

A Jewish reference book mentioned that Abram Jacob had been a resident of Penang at 28 Nagore Road. The Chinese family which now lives and works at 28 Nagore Road rented the house from Mr. Jacob a few years ago. "Did Abram Jacob live here?" I bellowed up to the second-storey window.

"Ah . . . . the Jew? Yes. He left many years ago," replied the young Chinese man.

"Where did he go," I asked.

"Don't know," he answered indifferently.

After searching for Abram Jacob, I looked for the site of the Jewish synagogue. A synagogue had existed on 7 Abboo Sittee Road, but all its remains had been erased by a Chinese commercial district. Number 7 was subdivided into A, B, C, and D and occupied by Scissors Unisex, Rose's Hairdressing, Kuan Antiques and the United Prosperous Care, a commonly used Chinese name for a restaurant. The proprietors of Kuan Antiques knew nothing of the former temple.

Like many ports of trade, Penang once had a thriving Jewish community. According to the World Guide for the Jewish Traveler by Warren Freedman (1984), Penang had more than 200 Jews before World War II. Malaysia was a British colony and Jews from India and Iraq came to Penang. The cemetery was established in 1835 "with money found among the personal effects of a Jewish woman who died after arriving in Penang who wanted to be buried in a Jewish grave." With the changing fortunes of colonial outposts and commodity trade, the financial importance of trade in Penang decreased and with it the Jewish community.

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Writer's note: History brought the Jews to Penang and ultimately took away any reason for a community to remain. After visiting the shrinking but viable Jewish communities in Kobe, Tokyo, Hong Kong and Singapore on previous "World Trip" stops, I found a city where the community had disappeared.

Although dejected in Penang, I related it to my home of San Diego and realized that the demise of the Panang community was not due to any absolute decline of the Jewish faith. Abram Jacob was gone, the synagogue was now a group of hair salons, Jalon Yahudi had melted into Jalan Zainal Abidin and the cemetery was just a lot of earth surrounded with decaying memories and overgrown weeds.

My search for the last Jews of Penang ended in bittersweet failure, but I relish the personal lesson I have learned. I sense the importance of living in a community of Jews — where Jews can act as catalysts for cultural exchange and trade among the peoples of the world.

Far away from home, my fellow World-Trippers (Mark Doctoroff and Jim Hershberg) and I continue to seek out this sense of community as we travel the world and visit Jewish communities in the Diaspora. Our reports will continue in The Canadian Jewish News.

Opinion

No compromise on honesty

Dayan's daughter exposes hero's dark underside

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

When Yael Dayan Sion, the daughter of Moshe Dayan, was working on her first book in the late 1950s, the famous Israeli general said in a letter to her: "...you should put all your efforts into making it a good one, and when I say 'good,' I mean 'honest.' I see no harm in full exposure... provided you don't compromise on honesty."

In her latest book, *My Father, His Daughter (Collins, $24.95)*, Dayan keeps faith with her father's advice. "It comforts me to think that, were he alive and read the book, he would have been satisfied that no such compromise was made."

In her effort to depict Moshe Dayan as a man with human frailties, rather than as a perfect mythical figure, Yael Dayan Sion writes of their close relationship down through the years. In doing so, she illuminates his obvious strengths — his devotion to country, his flexibility and brilliance of mind, his adventurousness, his courage and his curiosity.

But in her graphic portrait of Dayan, which she disavows as being objective, she exposes his dark underside as well. Dayan, a soldier and a politician who died of cancer in 1981, emerges as a bitter, intolerant, snappish, insensitive person, as a womanizer who had numerous extramarital affairs before he married his second wife, and as a miser who wasn't above charging for interviews.

In town to publicize her book at the Jewish Book Fair, and to address a United Jewish Appeal meeting, Yael Dayan Sion was asked in an interview whether her candid depiction of Dayan might diminish him in the eyes of his admirers.

Unruffled by the question, she said Dayan inspired not only admiration in his lifetime. "In Israel, he had more opponents than admirers," said Sion, the wife of a general and the mother of two teenagers. "If he had been as popular as is imagined, more people would have voted for him." Toward the end of his life, Dayan ran for the Knesset on an independent ticket and managed to win just two seats.

She paused, nibbling at her stale club sandwich which a publicist had apparently ordered hours before. "I believe real admiration has to do with identification and understanding. Dayan had an active sex life, and he was impatient with people. But if this is sufficient to turn him from a legend into a monster, this doesn't reflect so highly on his admirers."

Besides, she pointed out, her book is not the first which lays bare Dayan's life. "My mother (Ruth Dayan, to whom her book is dedicated), a few years ago, wrote about Dayan. And she was as candid about him as I have been."

In *My Father, His Daughter*, Yael Dayan Sion starts her memoir with Dayan in hospital, on the edge of death. She recalls how the doctors pounded on his chest in a desperate attempt to save him, and she remembers how she felt his hand growing cold in hers and how she sobbed inconsolably after he died.

Dayan, she writes, loved her dearly, and she occupied a "special, unique place" in his heart, more so than her two younger brothers, Udi and Assi. He hated his black eye patch, which he began wearing after losing his left eye in combat during World War II, and for years he nurtured the hope of replacing it with an artificial eye. The instant he walked into his house, he removed the patch, and Yael Dayan Sion says she and her brothers became accustomed to the scar and deformed skin under it.

David Ben-Gurion's favorite general, Dayan was given to cleaning his ears with a well-selected key, and walking around his garden in shabby, baggy underpants, urinating in a corner when he felt like it. Although he inspired confidence and trust, she says, he was snappish, and he held in contempt "the stupid, the mediocre, the coward and the meek." He would refer to them as "idiots" and "worms." After he retired from the army, he became increasingly introverted, and severed his intimate friendships. His moods changed swiftly.

Dayan, she observes, lacked sophistication, "though never on military and political issues."

His judgment of character was "superficial," and the basis of his attitude toward people was never love or hate, but respect. His daughter, who spells out his adulterous relationships in detail, claims his taste in women was "downright vulgar," and wishes he had been more "selective."

Dayan introduced her to several of his mistresses, and she was not impressed. "His infidelity bothered me less than his need for it, and his choice of bed partners was...in poor taste." At one point, many years ago, Dayan "probably" slept with her girlfriend. Ruth, her mother, knew about his affairs, but loved her husband nevertheless. Once, "appalled and helpless," she approached Ben-Gurion, the Prime Minister, and appealed for his help. Ben-Gurion understood her anguish, but said that "his record in bed" would not stand in the way of his career.

Moshe Dayan

Dayan's second wife, Rahel, whom he married in the final decade of his life, comes off as a woman Yael often disliked and with whom she usually felt "extremely uncomfortable." She says Rahel had "enough intuition" not to stand between herself and her father, but she acknowledges that "the natural" and spontaneous relationship she had with him disappeared after his marriage to Rahel.

Dayan, she laments, changed his priorities and lifestyle after his marriage to Rahel, and they reflected "weakness or vulnerability, obsessive materialism, and eventually egocentric self-pity." Yael Dayan Sion is scathing in her portrayal of her father. As she puts it: "The charm that came with exasperating carelessness, sloppy appearance, lack of tolerance and devilish mischief was fading away, to be substituted by new mannerisms, tamed behavior, cashmere sweaters, and Dunhill suits."

She adds that Dayan, in narrowing his vision, indulged in unfamiliar small talk about electricity bills, the cost of living, and the wages of maids and gardeners. "He charged for interviews, for speeches, for autographed oil lamps, and indirectly for his and Rahel's company."

Piling revelation upon revelation, she says that he grew more miserly at a time when he needed money least, that he turned "rich and stingy," that he grew bitter and short-tempered, and that he had a cynical attitude toward his fame.

She discloses that, in his revised will, Dayan left most of his fortune to Rahel, a turn of events which upset his children.

Throughout *My Father, His Daughter*, she writes highly of his analytical abilities. But, on several occasions, she calls them into question: He thought that the Six Day War would be Israel's last if Israel established good relations with the Palestinians of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. And he misinterpreted his own popularity among the Arabs in the occupied areas "as indicative of a general good-neighbor atmosphere."

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Yael Dayan Sion, 46, is a plain-spoken, slim, not unattractive woman, with long, straight black hair which barely conceals her big ears. She is dressed simply, wearing a checkered black-and-white skirt, a plain white blouse and a red cardigan open at the chest.

Asked about her relationship with Rahel Dayan today, she answers that none exists. She implies that, when necessary, they communicate through lawyers. "She's not the type of person I would befriend. She lives in a different world, and we don't have much in common."

She has read that Rahel has received offers to write a book about her late husband, but she does not know whether she will eventually produce one. "Do you think the public is ready for another Dayan book? Give it a while..."

She admits to being "disappointed and upset" by Dayan's decision to leave practically all his wealth to Rahel. "I don't have a good answer why it happened this way," she says.

The lifestyle he led in his last years, she surmises, was "imposed" on him. "I had a great deal of compassion for him. The materialism he embraced was part of what was happening in Israel during the Begin years."

She wrote *My Father, His Daughter*, which will be translated into several European languages, in English, a practice she has followed in all her books. She said she doesn't understand why some of her fellow Israelis criticize her for not writing in Hebrew, her mother tongue. A writer, she says, has the right to use whatever language she or he desires.

However, she always translates her books into Hebrew herself, and the Hebrew version of *My Father, His Daughter* will be published in Israel in time for Chanukah. In Israel, her books, ranging from novels to war diaries, have had mixed success.

Aside from writing and travel, Yael Dayan Sion is interested in politics. She is a member of the Labor Party, which her father bolted in 1977, and in the last general election she ran unsuccessfully as a Knesset candidate. She thinks she will run again one day, and hopes that Israel's system of proportional representation will be changed to reflect a British-style electoral system.

Her political views, she explains, are "slightly to the left" of her father's. She says she supports the idea of a separate Palestinian state federated with Jordan, and she thinks Israel should deal with the PLO if it recognizes Israel as a sovereign state. She believes that, strategically speaking, the West Bank is not crucial to Israel's survival. But she says that the West Bank should be demilitarized if Israel withdraws.

A woman in her own right, she is confident that her father's reputation will not decline with the passage of years. Historians will treat him well, she predicts, despite the setbacks he endured in the 1973 Yom Kippur War. "Next to Ben-Gurion, his place is assured."

Yael Dayan Sion (centre) mourns over the grave of her father, Moshe Dayan. On her left is Rahel Dayan, second wife. [IPPA photo]

Opinion

Painful break in tradition

Where are the Kronick-style leaders today?

By
J. B. SALSBERG

To the extent that the passing of Gertrude Kronick, the wife of the unforgettable Sam Kronick, marks the end of a remarkable era in the development of the Canadian Jewish community, her demise also prompts the question of leadership continuity, or the lack of it, from the heirs of our pioneering families.

J.B. Salsberg

No . . . my concern with this matter is not related to the immediate heirs of Sam and Gertrude Kronick. Joseph (Joe) and Moses (Moe) Kronick, the two sons of Sam and Gertrude, are no strangers to the Jewish leadership periphery. My concern with the lack of continuity of the leadership traditions of Jewish families is of a general nature. It is a concern that extends to the "old families" of every social, economic and ideological level.

But let's return, for a while, to the Kronick family.

Sam was passionately dedicated to the national and social beliefs that characterized the man. And, he tried to practice what he preached. This unwavering lifestyle earned him the respect and the authority to speak out vehemently without fear or favor. And, within the framework of Jewish traditional family life of that period his wife, Gertrude, provided the steadying hand in the Kronick home. For instance:

Sam Kronick's relationship with Zionism was not of philanthropic kind but of a most personal nature. Thus, the Kronick parents decided, 52 years ago, to immerse their very young children, all four of them, into the physical and spiritual world of Eretz Yisrael.

While Sam remained at home to meet his inescapable business and communal responsibilities, Gertrude and her four little children made Tel Aviv home for the years 1932-34. Indeed, she also included Helen, a young daughter of their friends, (the Joseph Schwartz family) in the Zionist immersion exercise.

Only Sam Kronick was capable of envisaging such an unusual venture and only Gertrude, his wife, was able and ready to undertake it. They practiced what they believed and what they preached to others. Theirs was an uncommon virtue, to say the least.

Now let us return to the nagging question, prompted by Mrs. Kronick's demise why there is so little continuity of the leadership roles of so many of our pioneering families.

Human nature being what it is, it's reasonable to conclude that many, if not most, people will be inclined to put the blame for this negative manifestation on the social or religious deviations of **others.** I, therefore, dare state that on the basis of my own years of observation there is not a single sector of Jewish society that has not — with very, very limited exceptions — experienced the painful break in the leadership tradition that the pioneering fathers established.

So, please, let no one point an accusing finger at others. It is altogether too common an experience and that experience covers the entire spectrum of Jewish life.

Continuity appears to be the exception

I could, I assure you, cover the space of more than one column with the names and particulars of lost generations that sprang from the loins (as saying goes) of once prominent and very influential Jewish parents of a few generations ago. But I will not engage in such a chronicling of lamentable experiences. It is too universal a phenomenon to be reduced to public roll-calls. But it is, in my view, a matter of profound concern and of diligent and objective examination.

My Orthodox friends will, I suspect, hastily reply that it is all due to the departure from the traditional, Orthodox way of life that is at the core of the problem. But they would ignore the fact that all modern stresses of Jewish life, religious and secular, had their origins in the Orthodox-dominant past. (Why? Have objective conditions no place in the examination of the problem that I raise?)

Indeed, in the area of my personal experiences I can cite case after case of Orthodox continuity (especially in the rabbinic sphere) but I can also cite similar examples of continuity in the Conservative and Reform areas of North American Jewish life (including the rabbinic sphere). **But all those examples are minimal in any overview of the present Jewish scene.**

I can also point to elements of continuity in the very broad secular sector of our society. But, here too, they are exceptions to the rule. Where are the leadership heirs of the fervent shapers of practically all secular branches of North American Jewry? Yes, all branches barring none.

Can I explain this disturbing phenomenon? I may not be entirely incapable of offering a plausible explanation. I may return to this problem another time. (In the meantime, what do you, my honored readers, think?)

What does have to be emphasized, when pausing to reflect on the passing of Gertrude Kronick, is that the Kronick tradition of leadership needs to be emphasized and emulated. They left a precious legacy!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address and handwritten signatures.

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ITALIANS WERE BETTER

As an Italian with a strong bond of affection toward Judaism, I was startled by the venom and bitterness in the letter from Larry Alex (CJN Oct. 17) containing his negative comments about the Sept. 12 article headed "Rescue by Italians remembered."

Mr. Alec's letter lacks fundamental objectivity including his statement about mistreatment of Allied prisoners of war. I could write pages of testimony from men of my father's generation on mistreatment of Italian prisoners. And after naval battles, Italians were shot in the water rather than picked up according to international agreements and human decency. Let's be fair when recalling the past.

I wish to provide evidence of the Italian humanitarian treatment of Jews during World War II. Since I am against vague theories and unproven facts, I will refer to authors to prove my point including Rabbi Raphael Patai in his book, Tent of Jacob, where he quotes Israeli author Arye Tartakower:

"After the outbreak of World War II, the humane attitude of the Italian population, officialdom and army to the Jews became common knowledge in the German-occupied areas of Europe and many Jews fled from them into Italy and Italian-occupied France, Yugoslavia and Greece, often with the help of the Italian authorities."

The Fascist era is a dark one in our history, and that's a fact. Another fact is the natural kindness of my people toward the Jews throughout history as can be seen in Black Sabbath by Robert Katz and Cecil Roth in his history of the Italian Jews . . . just to mention a few.

Francesco Maccianti
Burlington, Ont.

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THE SECULAR APPROACH

In his Living Halacha column (CJN Sept. 5) Rabbi Moses Burak argues that, according to him, "there are two ways of learning the Bible." The rabbi contends that the late Moshe Dayan — and by implication most "secular" Israeli Jews — studied the Bible as literature, as poetry or prose while he, and in his perception all Orthodox Jews, studies the Bible as the word of God.

Rabbi Burak explains his point further this way: "Moshe Dayan was a product of the Israeli kibbutz; he read the Bible as literature. That's not the way a yeshiva bocher studies it. And when you read the sacred volume as literature, you really don't know your bible."

This unique understanding by Rabbi Burak comes about because Moshe Dayan, knowingly, felt free to alter a word in a biblical sentence in order to debate an issue in the Knesset. Dayan altered the sentence, "The righteous shall live by his faith" to read, "By abstention shall the righteous live . . ." — referring to the abstention by Yehuda ben Meir, head of the religious party faction, in a vote on the Egyptian-Israeli framework for peace.

With all due respect, I find this harmful opinion of Rabbi Burak impossible to defend. Moshe Dayan and other secular Jews who live and fight for the State of Israel are fulfilling the biblical mitzvah of defending Eretz Yisrael. If not for these precious people, the State of Israel would not have been created and survived. What inspired Moshe Dayan and other secular Jews is the peoplehood and the need to secure the future of the Jews in a state of their own, as was demanded in the Bible.

To criticize Moshe Dayan and to idolize yeshiva bochers shows lack of understanding of the Jewish existence.

Rabbi Burak should take back his divisive argument and show more tolerence to the majority of Jews who are not yeshiva bochers but without whom it would be impossible for Judaism to survive. Every Jew should contribute to Judaism according to his or her ability.

Eli Ophek
Thornhill, Ont.

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DOUBLE STANDARD

There seems to be a deeply rooted standard among many Jews in today's society. There can be no other explanation for the angry letters sent to this column in response to my "Calls Kahane pure racist" letter of Oct. 3.

When Louis Farrakahn or Jesse Jackson vilify the Jewish people in public they are openly called racists and no one contests the rectitude of such a label. However, when one calls Kahane a racist, there is an outcry of disgust.

In my mind there is no difference between the Rev. Jackson calling Jews "Hebes," and Rabbi Kahane going out in public and saying that "Arabs multiply like rabbits." Both statements are demeaning and disparaging.

I think it's about time we start calling a spade a spade — no matter which side of the spectrum they lie on.

John Bayer
North York, Ont.

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CLEAN UP THE MESS

It would be nice if Israel would withdraw from all its occupied territories. It would be nice also if Soviet Russia did the same.

It would be nice if the Israeli government stopped its "obstructionism" towards its Arab inhabitants. It would also be nice if the Soviet government freed the Jews inside Russia who are imprisoned religiously, culturally and physically — and against their will.

In short, Mr. Gorbachev, clean up the mess on your own doorstep before you point at your neighbors.

Morris Ander
Toronto

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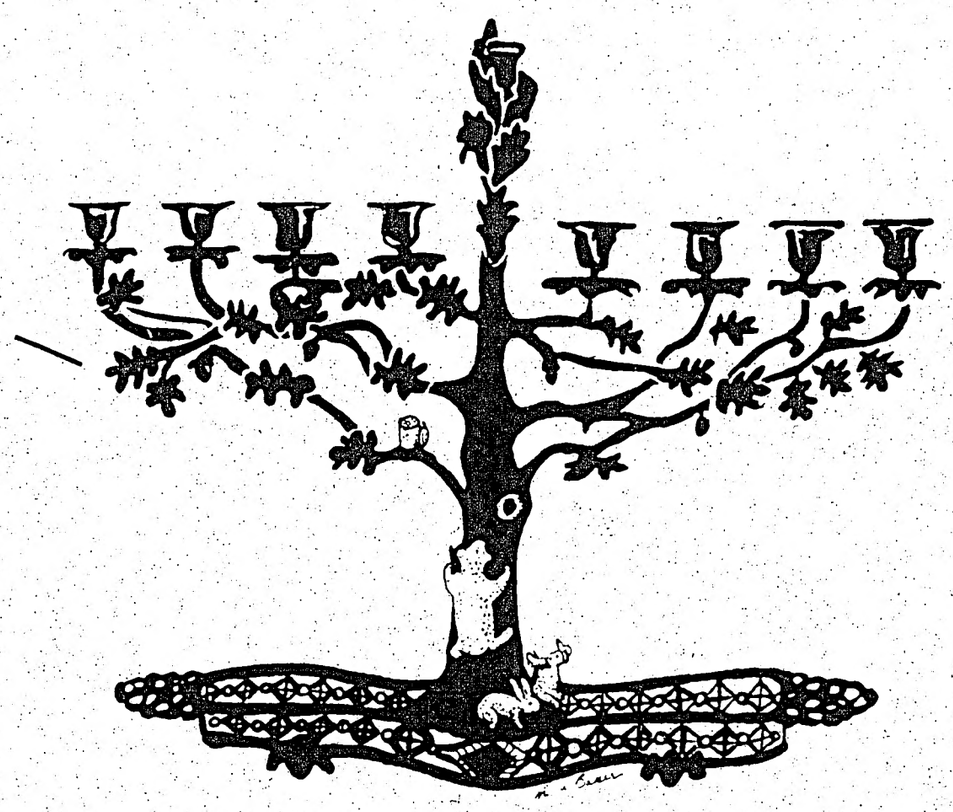
TRIBUTE TO JUDY

I read with great pleasure the recent announcement about the decision to honor Donald Carr and Judy Feld-Carr at the Negev Dinner.

However, the list of causes which the Carrs have supported contained one very serious omission. Judy Feld-Carr, more than any other Jewish person in the Diaspora, has made the cause of Syrian Jewry her own. Without her constant attention to this important issue in modern Jewish life, I believe that none of us would even be aware of it. We owe her and her husband a deep debt of gratitude for keeping this issue alive and helping us to act to save this remnant of a once-proud Jewish community.

Rabbi Daniel Siegel
Executive Director
Vancouver Hillel Foundation

Editor's comment: The good rabbi didn't read the story carefully. Judy Carr's involvement with the cause of Syrian Jews was indeed mentioned in an earlier story on the Negev Dinner and again in a story in the Nov. 21 issue of The CJN.



Menorah from Frankfurt Museum brought to the U.S.

FOUND FATHER'S MENORAH

As Chanukah approaches, your readers may be interested in how I discovered the whereabouts of a beautiful menorah which belonged to my father who was the founder of the Jewish Museum in Frankfurt. (Illustration enclosed).

I was visiting the Jewish Museum in New York in 1959 and a friend there happened to show me a bulletin from the Jewish Museum in Cincinnati. There I discovered the picture of my late father's menorah. I couldn't believe my eyes. I saw myself standing with my late parents before the menorah, father lighting the candles. It is a Polish, 18th century silver menorah, depicting an oak tree with eight branches. A little bear climbs up the tree to reach a small vessel with honey.

I learned that my late brother (after father's death in 1932) sold the menorah to a banker in Berlin. This gentleman moved to Amsterdam and died there. An art dealer bought the menorah at the auction of the banker's art collection and it eventually was sold to the Cincinnati Jewish Museum.

Later I learned that the Cincinnati collection came to the Hebrew Union College Museum in Los Angeles and friends of mine have seen the menorah there. I obtained from the curator of that museum a large poster with a reproduction of the menorah and it hangs now in my living room opposite my late father's picture.

Rena Rosenberger
Toronto

World-National

Renewal of detente could help Jewish emigration

Rights, Middle East take back seat at summit

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talks had been held on the subject.

In the only instance when the public was treated to "full disclosure" on human rights, the Rev. Jesse Jackson had an impromptu 45-minute chat with Gorbachev in the lobby of the Soviet mission in Geneva. Jackson, a presidential aspirant who caused controversy with his snide remarks concerning American Jews, pressed Gorbachev twice about "the plight of Soviet Jews."

In reply, Gorbachev answered that "the so-called problem of the Soviet Jews does not exist" — a line he adopted in a Paris press conference in October. Gorbachev also said: "We would like to say that Jews are as part of the Soviet people. They are fine peeople. They contribute a lot to the development of our country. They are very talented people."

The Middle East, long a source of Soviet-American rivalry and tension, was not even metioned in the joint statement. There was, however, an allusion to the need to hold further negotiations, on the expert level, on regional disputes.

Before the summit, Reagan spoke of five regional conflicts which he wished to resolve with the Soviet Union. But the Middle East was not on that list.

On the eve of the summit, both sides addressed the Middle East rather vigorously. Robert McFarlane, Reagan's national security advisor, said the U.S. would be ready to discuss the Middle East, but he forewarned reporters by saying it would be hard "to imagine constructive talks on this issue as long as the Soviet Union backs the most extreme elements" fighting Israel.

Novosti, the Soviet press agency, asserted that Moscow was "committed" to safeguarding "the interests of its Arab friends." And Novosti stated that the reasons which prompted the Soviet Union to sever diplomatic relations with Israel in 1967 still stood. Finally, Novosti called for an international conference to solve the Arab-Israeli conflict.

During the first day of the summit, the chief Soviet spokesman, Leonid Zamyatin, used the word "genocide" to describe alleged Israeli mistreatment of Arabs in the occupied territories.

Despite the absence of any agreements in either of these areas, Reagan said his talks with Gorbachev had been "worth while" and "constructive," and that further meetings between the two men would be held in the next two years.

Obviously, major breakthroughs on matters which seriously divide Washington and Moscow — from arms control to human rights — could not be solved in only 48 hours. McFarlane probably put it best when he warned that "the results should not be judged by tomorrow's headlines but by what happens in the months ahead."

As the national director of the Washington-based National Conference on Soviet Jewry, Jerry Goodman, pointed out, the summit served as "only a beginning of a dialogue on a variety of issues." Reagan himself described the summit as a "fresh start" in strained Soviet-American relations."

In concrete terms, the summit may well have set in motion a process that can lead to a renewal of detente. And should detente emerge again, prospects for Jewish emigration will no doubt improve.

Of late, Jewish emigration has dwindled to a trickle. Fifty thousand Jews were permitted to leave in 1979, but last year a mere 896 were given permission to emigrate. According to the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, 350,000 to 400,000 Jews have applied for exit visas. There are an estimated 2 million Jews in the Soviet Union.

Activists working on behalf of Soviet Jewry's right to emigrate charge that Moscow has not lived up to the 1975 Helsinki Accords.

Traditionally, the subject has one one of the most difficult to negotiate because the Soviets contend that human rights is purely an internal issue.

Before the summit got underway, Moscow radio, in an Arabic broadcast, denied reports cum-rumors that the government intended to lift restrictions on the emigration of Jews to Israel.

Nevertheless, Israel and world Jewry expressed the hope that Soviet Jewry would be high up on the Reagan-Gorbachev agenda.

Begin said to be suffering from Alzheimer's disease

LONDON (JTA) —

Former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, who has been living as a recluse since his abrupt retirement two years ago, is believed to be suffering from an incurable and progressive brain illness known as Alzheimer's disease.

The condition, named after the 19th century German physician who first identified it, usually occurs in middle age and has no known treatment.

The suggestion that Begin is suffering from it, current among responsible medical circles, provides the first credible explanation of why Israel's charismatic leader, who reveled in politics, suddenly and irrevocably withdrew from the world at the age of 70.

Until now his family and his closest medical and political advisers have kept the precise nature of his condition a deep secret, fostering speculation that he retired in a mixture of despair over the costly Israeli intervention in Lebanon and the death of his beloved wife Aliza in 1982.

His resignation, which caused consternation among his supporters, also sparked protracted speculation that this was only a strategic withdrawal, like that staged in the early 1950s by David Ben-Gurion, and that he might make a comeback.

But in retrospect, these hypotheses must now be regarded as incompatible with an illness which doctors say is associated with diffuse degeneration of the brain.

Recently, Begin made one of his rare public appearances in Jerusalem when he attended a memorial service at his wife's graveside. Closely hemmed in by his children, he looked a frail, aged and broken man.

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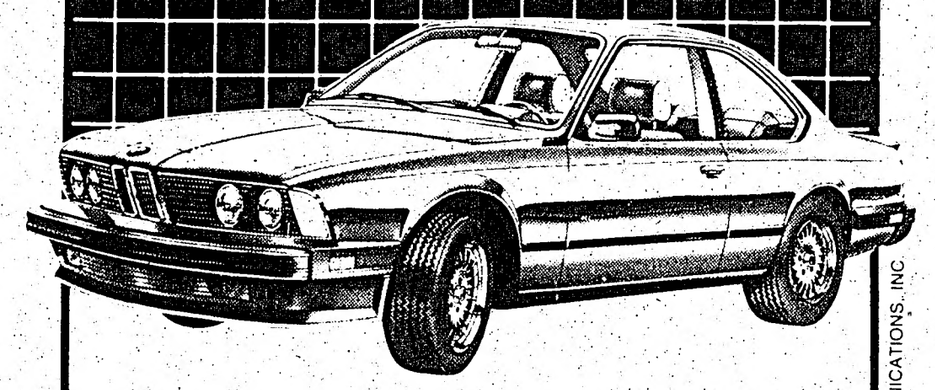

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Multiculturalism Canada will provide $4.9 million over the next two years to implement the cultural and racial relations recommendations of the special Parliamentary Committee report "Equality Now!"

Multiculturalism Canada has also funded a national police-minority relations program to promote better understanding between police and ethnic communities.

BETTER BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

A national conference on Business and Multiculturalism to be held in 1986 will provide ethnocultural business people with useful contacts and technical information.

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The establishment of a Parliamentary Standing Committee on Multiculturalism will ensure that federal government departments reflect Canada's multiracial and multicultural diversity in all their programs, policies, and practices.

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Skilled personnel needed

Project could lure Israelis back home

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Face to Face is an Israeli-North American employment and investment project that could significantly change the economic situation in Israel, says Consul Amos Haddad, the initiator of the project who was in Toronto recently with his delegation. And at the same time, he adds, it is attracting Israelis back to Israel.

"Give Israelis living in Canada or the United States work, and they will go back to Israel," says Haddad who is with Israel's ministry of labor and social affairs and based at Israel's New York consulate. He estimates that there are between 20,000 and 25,000 Israelis living in Toronto.

Although Face to Face was created to recruit Israelis now living in North America for high-tech industries, Haddad says that half of the 6,000 people working and living in Israel as a result of the project are Canadians and Americans who were attracted by the program.

High-tech products wanted

In an interview with The CJN, Haddad and his assistant Moshe Shraga explained the conditions in Israel that led to the creation of Face to Face a year and a half ago. "There is an increasing demand for Israeli high-tech products because they are good. The personnel needed for this industry cannot be found in Israel."

Haddad said that to achieve economic equilibrium, Israel must increase its exports. "This target of increasing exports can be achieved only through increasing the technological production in Israel."

The firms that are now exporting or thinking of exporting require skilled personnel if they are to compete in the international market. "So we've come here to recruit scientists, engineers, computer people, chemists and others."

For the first time outside of Israel, 30 business executives from high-tech industries in Israel were brought to the United States and Canada to meet and interview potential candidates to fill positions in the rapidly developing industries in Israel. They include electronics, robotics, aerospace and armament industries such as fire control computers, explained Shraga.

The following firms and institutions were responsible: Elbit Computers Ltd., Elisra Electronic Systems Ltd., Bezek Israel Communications Co., Iscar, Koor electronics Ltd., Kfar Vradim and Tefen Industrial Park, Rafael Armament Development Authority, Tadiran Israel Electronics Industries, Israel Aviation Industries, Israel Military Industries, Optrotech Ltd., Orbit Advanced Technologies Ltd. and Alchut Electronics Engineering Co., Astronautics C.A. Ltd., RAD Computers, Lannet Data Communications, Laser Industries and Kibbutz Industries.

The Israeli delegation set up exhibits and presented seminars in San Jose, Los Angeles and New York. Haddad said the recruitment program had been very successful. "In New York alone, we had more than 1,000 interested people who were interviewed by the Israeli executives and during the 2-day visit to Toronto, several hundred people registered, some coming from Montreal, Ottawa, Cleveland and Chicago."

Along with job recruitment, Haddad added that the Israeli government agency also assists with finding housing, financing, and the transfer of property to Israel. The program also includes special loans for Israelis who wish to return to establish a business in Israel in whatever area they want.

Two years ago, Steff Wertheimer, a leading Israeli industrialist who was then a member of the Knesset, initiated a new city and industrial park, Kfar Vradim in the Galilee. "This is part of a new pre-planned community with better living standards," says Haddad, "and it is quickly becoming one of Israel's leading industrial centres."

Of the seven firms which have opened at Kfar Vradim, four were established by Israelis who returned to Israel through the Face To Face program.

And recently, a pilot project was created that allows Israelis living in North America to go back to Israel for a few weeks to explore the possibilities of establishing new plants. More than 100 Israelis are going on this trip in a few weeks, says Haddad.

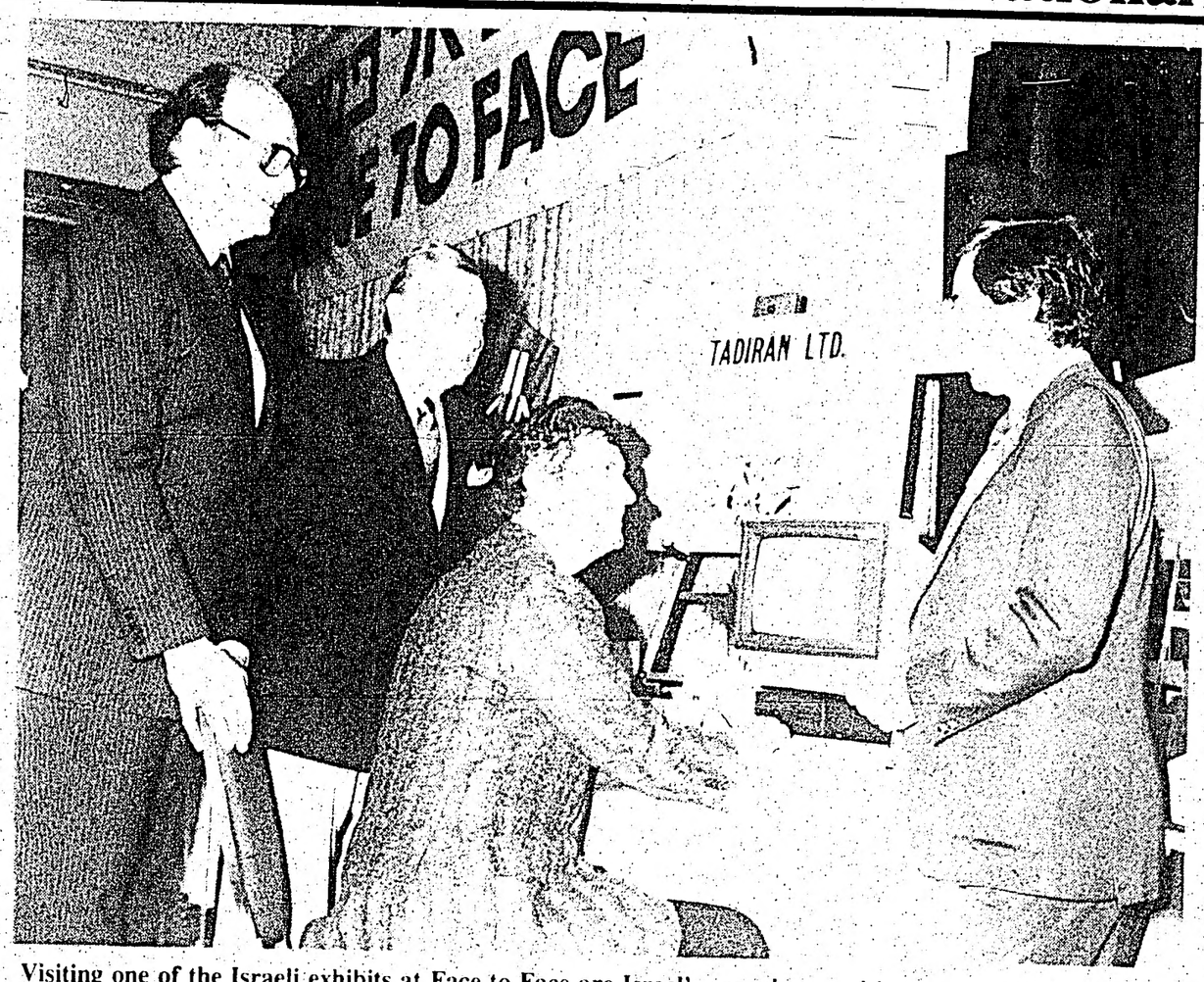
Because of the success of this employment and investment program for Israelis and North American Jews, additional booths and displays were added to the Face To Face event to attract people with other occupations such as hotel services and food industry.

At a reception at the King Edward Hotel for the Israeli executives, Israeli and Canadian representatives of government, and members of the local business and professional community hosted by Consul-General of Israel in Toronto Gideon and Mrs. Meri Saguy and Haddad.

"Many countries in the world faced economic difficulties," Haddad said at the reception, "were relieved through export and the export industry. Therefore, we believe that in the Israeli situation, the Israeli export industry is the major contributions in helping us solve the economic situation."

With obvious pleasure, Haddad noted that this year, Israeli high-tech industries will export $1.9 billion whereas in 1980, exports were $800 million.

For more information on the Face To Face program, contact Consul-General Gideon Saguy (416) 961-1126, or Consul Amos Haddad, Consulate of Israel, 800 Second Ave., New York, NY 10017, (212) 986-6360.



Visiting one of the Israeli exhibits at Face to Face are Israel's consul-general in Toronto Gideon Saguy, Eric Exton, honorary vice-chairman of Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce, Hershell Ezrin, principal secretary to Ontario Premier David Peterson and consul Amos Haddad. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Canadian Hadassah-WIZO meeting in Winnipeg

Delegates learn how to sell Zionism and Israel

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

WINNIPEG —

They descended on unsuspecting, freezing cold, snowy Winnipeg, ready to do big business. Almost 600 strong, the women of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO gathered in this midwest city for the 31st biennial convention of their multi-million dollar, multi-faceted corporation.

For four days they learned how to sell their product, Zionism and Israel, more effectively; how to use their "sales force," the 16,000 members across Canada and how to confront outside forces such as anti-semitism and anti-Zionism.

Vital, varied projects

At times their sessions were like large shareholders' meetings; at others, they resembled political conventions, what with all the amendments, resolutions and slates of officers that had to be passed.

They came from the East and the West and the far north — hundreds of women and some husbands who are Male Life Associates — all with a common purpose in mind: to rejuvenate their energies, to join forces in a united manner and to learn more about themselves and the vital and varied projects in Israel which they fund.

Through the years, they have had many major successive and some minor failures — they learn how to capitalize on the good and mitigate the bad.

The delegates from the smaller cities like Edmonton and Sarnia and Halifax learn that they are not alone, that their Jewish communities have similar problems of dwindling numbers and apathy. The Torontonians and the Montrealers learn how to cope with the many other large organizations competing for the same members and the same dollars.

The Winnipeg hostesses rose admirably to the occasion, and despite a blizzard and the freezing cold and wind, provided a warm welcome. One group of 14 made 250 individually designed dolls which were used as centrepieces and then sold to the guests, with the proceeds for Youth Aliyah. They cooked and they baked to supplement the hotel food and proved that Western hospitality is no myth.

Linda Dveris and Peggy Smith, both originally from Minnesota and now residents of the host city, were typical of the many younger women who are attracted to the organization because of its high ideals and its dedication to women's causes and the interests of children.

Sisters-in-law Lorraine and Sheila Cohen of Hamilton started their chapter several years ago with only six members and can now count 50 among their ranks.

Barbara Paton, Bette Ross, Sheila Zive and Myrna Yazer, all of the Maritimes, are concerned that many members of the Jewish community are not involved and by the fact that many of the children who go off to other provinces and U.S. cities to university never return to live. Interestingly, Camp Kadima, the Young Judaean camp in the region, is attracting the children of former campers who live in far-off regions but return to their parents' happy summer site.

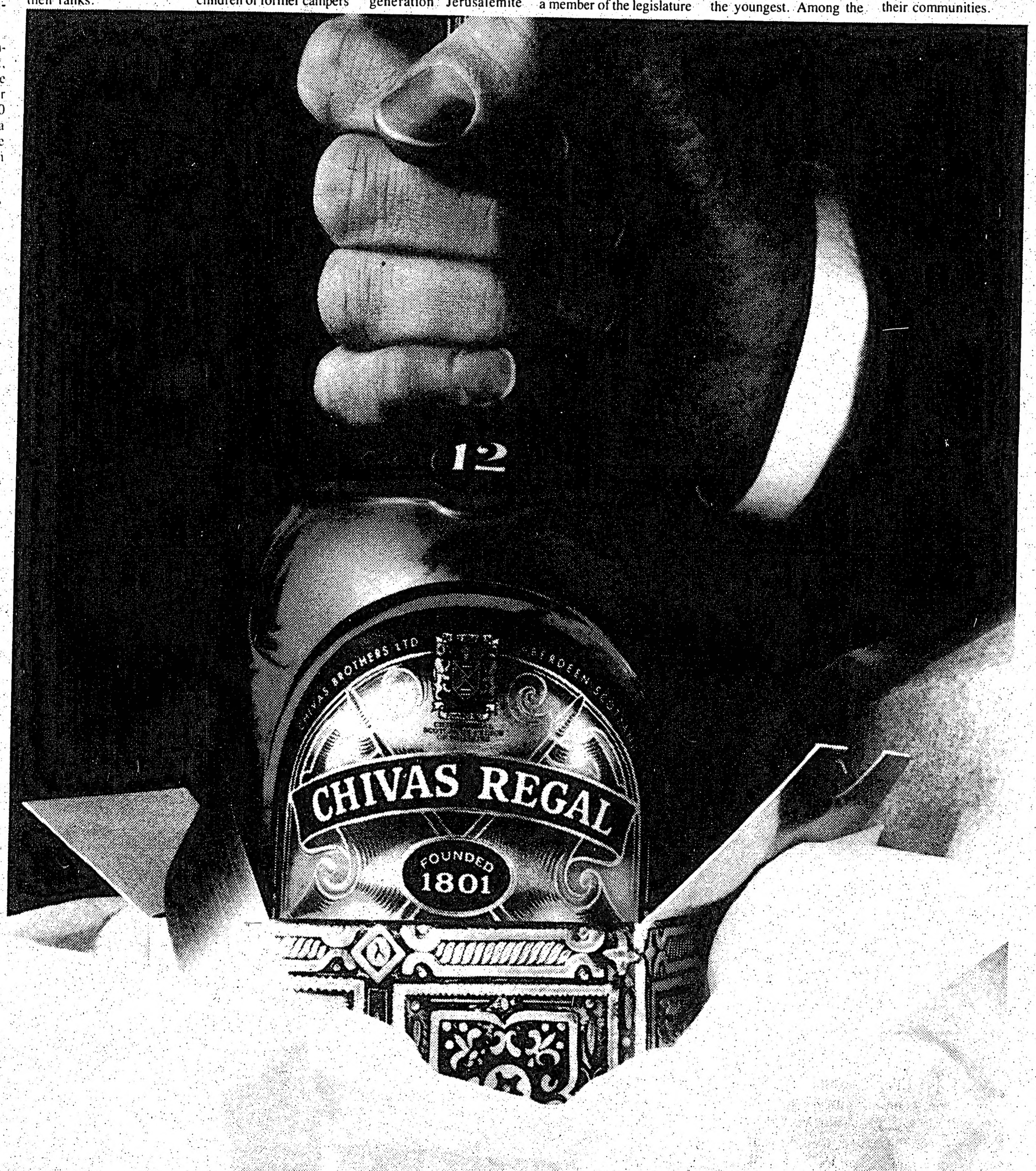
Diane Schwartz, the council president of Cape Breton, who lives in Sidney, has 113 members in her area. She, too, is concerned about the dwindling Jewish population, although here most of the Jewish residents are involved in the community.

Shoshana Pollack, a sixth generation Jerusalemite who now lives in Edmonton with her Alberta-born husband, Dr. Hymie Pollack, started Hadassah-WIZO's only Hebrew-speaking chapter in Canada.

Another delegate from Edmonton revealed that more "Keegstra situations" have been uncovered in her city. But what troubles her most is the fact that MLA Jim Styles is still a member of the legislature and the caucus. She has high hopes that he won't be re-elected in the next election. (Styles came out in full support of Keegstra and his views).

Over 60 women in their 20s and 30s joined the several hundred others whose age ranged up to the "I won't tell you, but my grandchildren are married," stage. At 25, Wendy Kahn of Calgary was the youngest. Among the senior group was Sally Gotlieb, an honorary (past) president and mother of Allan Gotlieb, Canada's ambassador to the United States.

A number of the young women had been sponsored to Aviv conferences in Israel held by World WIZO for its young leadership. They all returned highly enthused and have gone on to undertake major roles in their communities.



It's better to give than receive.
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Expert addresses Hadassah-WIZO convention

United Western battle against terrorism urged

By SHEILA DROPKIN

WINNIPEG — It is imperative that "like-minded nations" such as Canada, the United States, Israel and other Western countries mobilize against terrorism quickly or the terrorists will end up winning, according to Dr. Yonah Alexander, director of the Institute for Studies in International Terrorism, New York.

Presenting the keynote address at the opening session of the 31st biennial convention of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO in Winnipeg last week, Dr. Alexander said that most countries don't yet have the resolve to stop terrorists. More than 500 delegates attended the convention — the first here in 12 years.

"We cannot allow this," Alexander insisted. "This (permitting the terrorists to get away with their acts) will only invite more terrorism."

Although most acts of terrorism to date have followed conventional paths of bombing, hijackings and kidnapping, Alexander believes that the day is not too far off when desperate terrorists will resort to atomic weapons and chemical warfare, leading to mass destruction. He finds it conceivable that countries like Iraq and Libya would provide terrorists with atomic weapons to fight the battles that they do not want seen as theirs.

"This is simpler than the direct means of fighting one's enemies," he explained. "We have to treat terrorism as a serious problem. We have to develop an efficient and effective structure in terms of responses."

He blamed terrorism's growth on the "failure of the international communities to realistically assess its nature." Thus, while 10 years ago there were only several hundred acts of terrorism annually, in 1984, there were over 3,500 incidents, many of them in Israel.

Formerly an Israeli resident, Dr. Alexander now makes his home in the U.S. However, he still visits the Middle East frequently and stated emphatically that "the price Israel pays (to terrorists) is far out of proportion to its numbers."

Pointing out that "even in Canada" there were terrorist incidents, Alexander added that no country is immune from attack. "This indicates and underscores the vulnerability of our society."

Manitoba Lieutenant-Governor Pearl McGonigal (right) was at the opening of the Hadassah-WIZO convention. She is with president Cecily Peters.

He recently interviewed Palestinian terrorists arrested by Israeli authorities and came to the definite conclusion that "the enemies of Israel, Canada and the U.S. are training terrorists in all its manifestations, including maritime terrorism."

Alexander showed his rapt audience examples of several posters being used in universities on Israel's West Bank exhorting the students to use violent means against Israel and the U.S. to reach their ideological and political goals.

"Terrorism is very cheap to activate and very costly to counter," he said. "It's attractive, it's effective and it works."

He strongly advocates public education about all aspects of terrorism so that residents will be aware of it, will recognize that it's not necessary to use force to reach their goals and will support their governments when they try to combat it.

He agrees with others that terrorists use the media in order to get publicity for their acts and end up with legitimacy. He urges that the media work with governments in developing proper strategies on covering acts of terrorism.

"I don't advocate censorship," he told The CJN after his talk, "but the media must put these acts into pespective. The death of over 20,000 people in Colombia caused by the volcano is major news and deserves all the coverage it's getting, but terrorist acts don't deserve the big headlines and the constant coverage.

"The media must act responsibly, otherwise they could create fear and lack of confidence in the government. There has to be a balance between the people's right to know and media responsibility."

Eliashiv Ben-Horin, Israeli ambassador to Canada, also addressed the opening session of the convention. Reporting on his recent visit to Israel, the ambassador stated that he found the people resigned to the current "painful economic restrictions" and determined to "turn most effectively and quickly this period of economic setbacks into a new creativity."

The Israelis are also hopeful that a peace treaty will be signed shortly with Jordan.

"We are waiting for clear signals from Jordan," he said, "but what we're getting is still mixed. In the history of nations it's decisions that count and not intentions. Hussein is covering all his flanks in his meeting with the different Arab countries and the PLO. But you cannot be all things to all people. We've shown patience but I don't know how much longer we'll wait" for King Hussein to make up his mind.

One of the highlights of the evening was the appearance and short but witty address by Pearl McGonigal, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba.

Revealing that she's been a Life Member of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO since 1983, she told of her visit to Israel that year and confessed that she "fell in love with it.

"The remarkable thing about Israel is the same as the most remarkable thing about Canada, the people. People are like stained glass windows — they sparkle in the sunlight, but it's only when the light goes out that you see the shine from within."

Peters elected to 2nd term as president

WINNIPEG — It won't be next year in Jerusalem for Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's 32nd biennial convention in 1987. Jerusalem was one of four cities along with Vancouver, Edmonton and Montreal which offered to host the organization's 70th anniversary year convention.

The executive felt that the decision on Jerusalem should be open to all of those in attendance at this 31st convention in Winnipeg. Those in favor of a Jerusalem convention spoke in terms of the boost it would give Israel's economy as well as the spiritual impact of meeting in Judaism's most important site. Others spoke in terms of the high costs involved in getting there and the difficulty for younger women in particular those with careers or young children, in taking off a large block of time.

The resolution was defeated.

In contrast to the heated debate engendered by the Jerusalem resolution, the convention's other 25 resolutions passed with little discussion. Resolution's chairman Judy Mandleman read aloud some of the highlights including Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's deep concern for the plight of persecuted Jews in countries such as Ethiopia, Syria and Iran and its firm support of the government of Israel's efforts to gain the release of the remaining Ethiopian Jews.

New resolutions included increased efforts to form Canadian Hadassah-WIZO groups for career women in recognition of the changing role of women and that the Canadian Affairs portfolio under the chairmanship of Stella Torontow of Ottawa address itself specifically to problems within Canada related to human rights, women's rights, minority rights and other issues which affect the dignity of Canadians, and establish wherever possible, representation, nationally and locally on such organizations as Human Rights, United Nations, Status of Women and the National Council of Women.

Resolutions from the floor suggested Hebrew-speaking chapters be formed and a twinning program be encouraged between Canadian Hadassah-WIZO chapters and WIZO chapters in Israel to promote better communication and understanding between the two organizations.

Earlier, the list of nominees to the new executive was passed unanimously with Cecily Peters of Toronto being elected to a second consecutive term as president.

Other elected officers are: national vice-presidents, Naomi Frankenburg of Vancouver, Sophie Kettner, Calgary, Charna Averbach, Winnipeg, Esther Matlow, Toronto, Paula Mendelsohn, Montreal and Shirlee Medjuck, Halifax; treasurer, Faye Steinfeld of Montreal; financial secretary, Freda Gasoi of Montreal; recording secretary, Roslyn Mendelson of Toronto; corresponding secretary, Bunny Smordin of Edmonton; and general secretaries, Bess Panar of Vancouver, Miriam Peletz of Montreal and Cecelia Rotstien of Regina.

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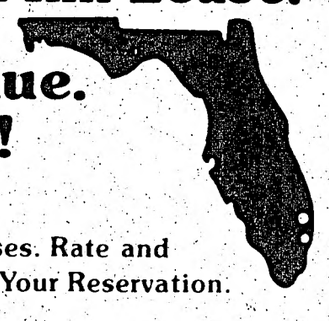

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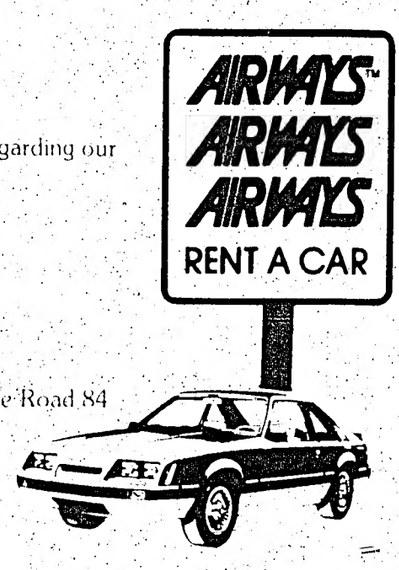

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Finance minister's wife urges solidarity

Modai: Israel still facing a long, arduous road

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Although there are good signs of recovery, Israel is still facing a difficult economic situation and the road ahead is long and arduous, said Michal Modai in a stirring and emotional address to delegates at Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's 31st biennial convention last week.

Speaking at the WIZO banquet, she said: "It is imperative that world Jewry maintain solidarity with Israel and her citizens. I have no doubt that Canadian Hadassah-WIZO will be standing beside us as we move out of this dark tunnel toward a future of peace and prosperity."

Modai, a sixth generation Sabra married to Israel's finance minister, has long been active in WIZO. She helped create Israel's first home for battered wives through WIZO in 1983 and, since January, 1984, has been chairperson of the World WIZO executive and a member of the praesidium of the Zionist general council.

"The economic crisis has serious implications for WIZO," she said. WIZO is an integral part of Israeli life and there are increasing demands on our services. Our day care centres are vital. Most families can no longer subsist on one income. Our day care centres also ensure many children get a better chance of success in school.

"Our youth centres," she continued, "are essential in keeping children off the streets. In tough economic times, juvenile delinquency usually increases."

She spoke about the high standards of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO schools in Israel and their value, as well, as summer camps for war orphans and beleaguered mothers of poor, large families.

WIZO's work in absorbing Ethiopian Jews and new laws concerning alimony payments and accident insurance for housewives were passed by the Knesset due to WIZO lobbying, she added.

"As Jews, we are responsible for each other," she said. "Because WIZO is a factor in so many Israeli lives, we are determined not to close any of our 670 institutions and centres due to lack of funds. We refuse to cut back the quality of any of our services, programs or activities. We regret we have to turn down so many requests. The challenge to Canadian Hadassah-WIZO and all our other federations worldwide is to redouble their fund raising efforts to meet the crisis."

Proving itself equal to the challenge, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, national president Cecily Peters of Toronto reported, has introduced the Chai Life Trustee Club "to respond to Israel's growing educational needs." So far, nine pledges of $18,000 each have come in. The money will be put in trust, with the interest to go to designated education projects in Israel. This is in addition to Project Enrichment to which 100 donors have pledged $10,000 each and the earlier Forty Founding Nation Builders for which 40 sponsors each placed $25,000 in trust. Donors in the audience were recognized.

Peters also paid tribute "to our mothers, grandmothers and great-grandmothers who showed us the way with their generous spirit of giving and uncounted hours of volunteer service."

A second highlight of the evening was the presentation by Canadian Hadassah-WIZO executive vice-president Lily Frank of the first ever Decade of Women Award to Maureen O'Neil, deputy head of Status of Women Canada, for her outstanding work on women's issues and particularly for her strong leadership at the recent UN End of the Decade conference in Nairobi in fighting to successfully remove the "Zionism is racism" clause in the final draft. A scholarship has been established in her name at her alma mater, Carleton University, in Women's Studies.

The evening concluded with a performance by the International Inn's Internationals singing a medley of popular songs.

Maureen O'Neil (second from left), deputy head of the Status of Women was honored at the Hadassah-WIZO convention. Others in the picture, from the left: Lily Frank, Terry Rosenberg and Cecily Peters.

Award to Ettie Hollander

Ethiopian Jewry honored

WINNIPEG —

Canadian Hadassah-WIZO paid tribute to the "courage, tenacity and motivation" of Ethiopian Jewry with the presentation of its highest award to 34-year-old Ettie Hollander as a representative of Ethiopian Jews.

The Rebecca Sieff Award was established in honor of WIZO's founder. Previous winners have included symphony conductor Zubin Mehta, Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek and philanthropist Sam Bronfman. The award is in the form of a scholarship in the recipient's name for a worthy student at the Canadian Hadassah-WIZO school at Nahalal.

Mrs. Hollander is a well chosen representative of Ethiopian Jewry. She made her way to Israel in 1970 to join a sister and brother who preceded her. She studied Hebrew at night and held down two jobs. As part of the Israeli delegation at Nairobi, she vigorously defended the Zionist dream against attack and derision.

The award was presented by Clara Balinsky, honorary national president, of Montreal. On accepting the award, which honored Israel also for its Operation Moses and its efforts at integrating the new immigrants, Hollander told delegates to the 31st biennial convention that "Israel is the only country where a Jew can feel at home. I have never been discriminated against there . . . even with my skin color."

Ettie Hollander holds plaque presented to her as a tribute to Ethiopian Jews. At the left is Charna Averbach, co-chairman of Hadassah-WIZO convention.

Rabbi Nahum Cohen, however, introduced a note of caution. "The Ethiopian children," he said, "are going to get ahead. They will be determined to go to university, to reach officer rank in the army, to get good jobs and they will succeed and other Israelis, I fear, will come to resent them.

"Youth Aliyah's structure has to be strengthened to successfully integrate these children into society. We need more programs such as the recent visit of Nahalal students to our Hofim absorption centre so they will know and remember how badly off these Ethiopian children were and tell their parents and others and maybe some day help fight prejudice."

Rabbi Cohen, Youth Aliyah evening's keynote speaker, is director of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's Hofim absorption centre for Ethiopian Youth in Acco. Rabbi Cohen and the absorption centre were recently awarded the Knesset Speaker's Award for their contributions to the quality of life in Israel through their work in readying Ethiopian children for Israeli society.

Cohen was quick to give credit to the members of Canadian Hadasah-WIZO for making his work possible. "The Knesset Speaker's prize was a team effort and Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, with its tremendous fund raising efforts on Hofim's behalf, is an important part of the team. You are some of the finest women I have ever met," he told his audience.

"The Ethiopian Jewish children have been Youth Aliyah's greatest challenge," he said.

Cohen was on hand to meet the first plane load. He described children — most orphans — lacking proper clothing, traumatized and sick, some near death, who cried themselves to sleep every night . . . "and they were the lucky ones." They have now progressed to the best Youth Aliyah schools in Israel.

Hofim's most recent group are Ethiopian children who came with their parents and have subsequently been rejected. "They have already learned some Israeli bad habits," he said. "They are from broken homes."

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Saturday, Nov. 30

ISRAEL CHASSIDIC FESTIVAL

Israel Chassidic Festival '85, a concert depicting the life and experiences of Israel in song and dance, is slated for Saturday, Nov. 30 at 8.30 p.m. in Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. Tickets, available at the Negev Book and Gift Store, 3509 Bathurst St., and Adath Israel, 635-5340, are $10, $13 and $16.

SHAAREI-BETH EL

Shaarei-Beth El Synagogue, 186 Morrison Rd. in Oakville, invites you to a Monte Carlo Carnival Night, Saturday, Nov. 30 at 8 p.m. Cost is $9 per couple for members, $11 non-members. RSVP **Bruce,** 336-2817. **Deborah,** 335-9973.

FUR AUCTION

Queen City Chapter of B'nai B'rith is holding its annual charity Fur Auction on Saturday, Nov. 30 at 7.30 p.m. in Earl Bales Park Community Centre, Sheppard and Bathurst. Admission is $3 and there will be door prizes and refreshments.

JSU - YORK U DANCE

The Jewish Student Federation of York University looks forward to a dance with deejay and cash bar, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov.30, at Howard Ferguson Hall, 75 St. George St. For more information call 667-3647.

Sunday, Dec. 1

CONGREGATION HABONIM

As part of its cultural series, Congregation Habonim, 12 Holloman Rd., invites you to hear Rabbi Allen Vaner speak on Jewish Traditions, Taboos and Customs Through the Ages.

A discussion period will follow and refreshments will be served. The public is welcome and there is no charge.

NA'AMAT PW JUBILEE

Na'amat Pioneer Women celebrates its 60th Jubilee with festivities commencing at 11 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 1, in the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave.

There will be a musical revue paying tribute to the past 60 years, plus dancing to the music of **Yitzhak Argaman** and his band.

AT SHAAREI SHOMAYIM

The Entertainment and Cultural Connection presents lawyer **Barry Edson,** speaking on Wrongful Dismissal: Are justice and the law the same? What are your rights and obligations? The meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 1 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, Glencairn just east of Bathurst. All ages, are welcome, but special tables are reserved for singles 21 - 39 plus. Members free, guests $2. Co-ordinators are **Jerry** and **Sandra Genesove.**

Sunday, Dec. 1

YIDDISH CULTURE COUNCIL

Everyone is invited to participate in a tribute to **Peretz Markish,** noted Yiddish poet and writer murdered by the Stalin regime in 1952.

To commemorate his 90th birthday, the Yiddish Culture Council is arranging a meeting at 8.30 p.m. Sunday, Dec.1, in the Workmen's Circle auditorium, 471 Lawrence Ave. W., just east of Bathurst.

Guest speaker will be the poet's widow, **Esther Markish,** of Israel. Also participating in the program are **Cantor Louis Danto, Anne Berman, Peretz Miranski** and **Adam Konetski.**

BETH DAVID BROTHERHOOD

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Brotherhood will hold a breakfast meeting on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 9.30 a.m. Speaker **Dr. Morton Manilla,** will examine The Catholic Church and Israel - Theology and Politics.

TELEM OPEN HOUSE

Telem, the movement for Zionist fulfilment, invites young adults and university students to an Open House Moadon Telem, from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 788 Marlee Ave., Suite 206.

Come out and meet others who show an interest in Israel. (The group says it is non-partisan and has no political orientation.)

For more details call 787-3484.

At 8 p.m., **Prof. Joseph Agasi,** of York University, will discuss The Present Crisis Between the Secular and Religious Groups in Israel). Refreshments will be served. Admission is $1.

Monday, Dec. 2

CULTURAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP

A Planners and Programmers Skill Development Workshop series, organized by the adult education institute of the Toronto Jewish Cultural Council, Toronto Jewish Congress, takes place on Monday, Dec. 2 in the social hall of Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue. The workshops are designed for people who work with groups in Jewish organizations.

The Dec. 2 workshop will be led by **Dr. Harvey Silver,** and is entitled: Leading Your Group: How to do it Better and More Effectively.

Participants are invited to attend the supper served before the workshop at 5.45 p.m. The workshop begins at 6.50 p.m. Registration fee is $10 including supper and $3 for registration only. To reserve a supper place, call 635-2883, ext. 1554, as soon as possible.

SIMCHA CHAPTER HADASSAH-WIZO

Simcha chapter, a young Hadassah-WIZO group, invites you to an interesting and informative evening on Monday, Dec. 2 at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

For more information call **Debbie,** after 6 p.m.

CHAPTER NAMED

Kadima (hope) is the name of the newest chapter of the Toronto Dysautonomia Foundation. Familial Dysautonomia is a rare genetic disease that strikes Ashkenazi Jews. Among members of the fledgling chapter are, left to right, Ellie Burns, Dr. Ruth Sky, Anne Isenberg and president of Toronto chapter, Bertha Dermer; back row, Deborah Cooper and Dr. Miriam Devon.

KINGSTON STUDY GROUP

Iyr Ha-Melech Congregation, Kingston, study group, gathers next on Monday, Dec. 2, at the **Levisons,** 203 Glengarry Rd., when a general examination of Reform Jewish beliefs and philosophies continues.

You can get a lift from someone if you need it. Call the usual message centre at 544-5705.

Tuesday, Dec. 3

HOLY BLOSSOM JUDAICA SALE

Bargains galore, including general gift and Judaica items, will be offered at a Pre-Chanukah Sale on Tuesday, Dec. 3 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Holy Blossom Temple Judaica Shop, 1950 Bathurst St.

BOOK REVIEW

Inside, Outside, by **Herman Wouk,** will be reviewed when **Cathy Tile** addresses Holy Blossom Sisterhood, 1950 Bathurst St., at 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

Cost is $2 for sisterhood members, $4 non-members.

Wednesday, Dec. 4

MARKHAM-UNIONVILLE BBW

Markham- Unionville B'nai B'rith Women will hold their Chanukah meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. New members are always welcome.

For additional details contact the president, **Barbara Sklar,** 477-1906.

Thursday, Dec. 5

ETHIOPIAN JEWS

The Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jews invites the public to an open forum on the situation of Jews still trapped in Ethiopia, Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7.30 p.m., at 788 Marlee Ave. (Marlee and Lawrence Ave. W.)

Events include a new half-hour video on the culture of these ancient people and speakers recently returned from Ethiopia. Admission is $2.

Free parking. To inquire further, call 782-2546.

HANDCRAFTED GIFTS

A sale of gift items handcrafted by the residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged will be held on Thursday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Home's Lobby at 3560 Bathurst St.

Items include knitted afghans, baby blankets, toys, framed paintings and beaded necklaces.

BOROCHOV CENTRE LECTURE

Prof. Shelomo Morag, guest lecturer on Near East languages at the University of Toronto, will speak on Differing Cultures in Israel, at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. Refreshments will follow.

Prof. Morag, who was born in Israel, was the director of the Hebrew University research institute on the language traditions of the Jewish community and chairman for the study of the Sephardi and Oriental Jewish communities.

CHANUKAH AT NORTH YORK

Children representing the Jewish community in North York invite everyone to join them for a pre-Chanukah celebration on Thursday, Dec. 5, from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m., at North York City Hall, 5100 Yonge St.

Enjoy Israeli songs and dances co-ordinated by the N/E Valley Branch of the Jewish Community Centre.

Admission is free.

For more information on these and other City of North York events, call the public information office at 224-6086.

And What Else Is New ...

CAMP SHOMRIA IN QUEBEC

Here is a reminder to parents that registration has begun for Camp Shomria's winter stay in the Laurentians, Dec. 26 - 30, inclusive. This unique camp conducts such activities as Israeli folkdancing and singing, as well as cross-country skiing and skating.

Don't miss this opportunity to send your child to a bit of Israel in Quebec this winter.

For more information call the office at 736-0977 or 736-1339, and ask for **Yigal.**

HADASSAH-WIZO CHOIR

For excitement, fun and friendship, come and join the award-winning Toronto Hadassah-WIZO Choir under the leadership of its new director, **Liz Manson.** Under Liz's dynamic direction, the group is acquiring a whole new challenging repertoire. Now is the time to get in on the ground floor.

Sopranos, second sopranos and altos are welcome. Meet every Thursday afternoon at 1.15 p.m. in Jerusalem Hall, 788 Marlee Ave. For additional inquiries call 448-6212.

CLOTHING FOR PATIENTS

Mt. Sinai Hospital Gerontology Working Group is requesting new or used clothing donations for long-term geriatric patients. Items such as robes, slippers, jogging suits, rugger pants and socks, would be very much appreciated.

Please call **Diane Savage,** 586-5201, or **Barbara Rouse,** 586-4590.

AUDITIONS

Jewish Theatrical Productions is auditioning for the February production of The Sunshine Boys, and requires two Yiddish- and English-speaking males over 50. Also needed are other young men and women for supporting roles and assistance in the production. Experience is not necessary.

Call **Reva,** 445-8718.

AT SHAAREI TEFILLAH

Continuing with its Fall Institute of Jewish Studies conducted by **Rabbi Moshe Stern** each Tuesday at 8 p.m., Shaarei Tefillah Congregation presents a discussion on Halacha - Torah Law - How can both sides of an Halachic Dispute be the Words of the Living G-d? This takes place at the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. on Dec. 3 and is open to the entire community.

HAMILTON PIONEER WOMEN

The next meeting of Nitsan Club, Na'amat Pioneer Women, Hamilton, is set for Nov. 27, when **Faygi Itkin** will offer a program on Chabad Lubavitch — The Jewish Peace Corps.

The meeting begins at 8 p.m., 98 Stroud Rd., Hamilton. Prospective members are welcome.

Call 523-7805.

CAN YOU HELP?

Seniors and handicapped adults wanting to remain independent in their own homes need your help with support services such as visiting, shopping, letter writing or going on an outing.

The Visiting Homemakers Association matches volunteers with clients convenient to their homes. This rewarding work requires a minimum commitment of a few hours a week.

If you can help, please call 481-6194.

UNIONVILLE DAY CARE

A country home setting day care centre is opening at Kennedy and 19th line. It will offer a nature program on its seven acres of land, an indoor swimming program and outside water recreation in summer.

Space for children, preschool and infants is now available, and a therapy program for children with special needs is planned.

French and Hebrew language exposure are offered.

A January, 1986, opening is planned and registration is now being taken.

Bussing to the centre from Markham, Unionville, Stouffville and surrounding areas make this program convenient.

Call 731-8458.

OPERA AT THE ROM

The first Canadian production of a baroque opera, authentic in every detail, presented by Opera Atelier at the Royal Ontario Museum to celebrate **Handel's** tercentenary, on Saturday, Nov. 30 and Sunday, Dec. 1, at 4 p.m. in the ROM theatre.

The 1-act opera, The Choice of Hercules (1750), has never before been produced in its entirety in Canada. Also on the bill is the first Canadian production in baroque style of a rare pastoral ballet by W.A. Mozart, Les Petits Riens, (1778).

Admission is $6 adults, $5, students and seniors. For ticket information call 586-5834.

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PRECIOUS LEGACY TOUR PART II

The Royal Ontario Museum exhibition, The Precious Legacy, has inspired Toronto Jews to want to see all of the Jewish artifacts housed in the state museum in Prague, the Jewish quarter, and Jewish landmarks in other cities.

Ray Havelock, of Temple Har Zion, is attempting to organize a trip to Prague and other European centres including Amsterdam, Budapest and Warsaw, just prior to the High Holy Days of 1986.

Should there be sufficient interest, the trip will commence in early September, and it will not be restricted to members of any particular group. To inquire further, call **Ray Havelock,** 225-8714.

BEGINNERS COMPUTING COURSE

A beginners course in personal computing will be given Wednesdays, Dec. 4 and 11, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Don Mills Public Library, 888 Lawrence Ave. E.

Students who complete the course will be able to write and run simple programs on microcomputers in their homes or offices.

Pre-registration is necessary.

ACTING OPPORTUNITY

Here's an opportunity for acting experience. Channel 10, Newton Cable television, is looking for actors and actresses ages 18 to 25, to appear in a comedy show (no salary).

You must be motivated and able to memorize lines.

Call Channel 10 at 661-7777, from 3 to 11 p.m.

FOSTER PARENTS

Foster parents are invited to enrol their children in a social-recreational program for foster children. Monthly outings and an annual picnic are planned.

For further information call **Rabbi David Cooper** at 731-8458 or write 3000 Bathurst, Apt. 106, Toronto, M6B 3B4.

VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Time Together, a mental health program in the Keele/Lawrence area, provides an opportunity for women to share thoughts and feelings in a supportive and informal setting.

For mothers to become involved with this program so important for their self-image and good mental health, help is urgently needed to assist with infants and pre-schoolers.

If you have Wednesday mornings available and are interested in volunteering with young children, please call the Volunteer Centre, 481-6194.

TZAVTA CHANUKAH PARTY

Tzavta Centre, a place for Jewish social and cultural activities, will host a Chanukah Party on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 8 p.m. The location is 1111 Finch Ave. W., Suite 158, and everyone is invited.

For further information call the centre at 736-0977.

KINGSTON CHANUKAH PARTY

Kingston's Congregation Iyr Ha-Melech, looks forward to a Chanukah Party Sunday morning, Dec. 8.

CERTIFICATE

Joe Crystal, (right) chairman of Mordechai Anielewitch Branch 702, Labor Zionist Alliance, and David Newman, vice-chairman, hold a Kupat Holim certificate presented to the branch on its 35th anniversary. This contains the signatures of most of the branch members whose names will be inscribed on the Keer Hachayim, the Wall of Life, at the neonatal wing of the Soroka Hospital.

BOROCHOV CHANUKAH BREAKFAST

Borochov Branch 124 of the Labor Zionist Alliance, invites all members and their wives to a breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 9.30 a.m., in the Bialik Shul building, 14 Viewmount Ave. This will be a Chanukah celebration, and a full breakfast, including latkes, will be served.

Jay Lipsey will speak on Chanukah, the Jewish Renaissance.

Chairman of the breakfast is **Leon Herzberg.**

FRIENDS OF SCHIZOPHRENICS

Metro Toronto Friends of Schizophrenics meets at Dunvegan Hall, Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, 230 St. Clair Ave. W. on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. At that time, lawyer **David Medland** will talk about changes under the Criminal Code of Canada and the Highway Traffic Act, and how they will affect schizophrenic relatives and friends.

SHAAR SHALOM CHANUKAH

Shaar Shalom Synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd. in Thornhill, offers a special Chanukah program with puppeteer **Renelle Kuntz,** on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 1.30 p.m. Call 889-4975 for details.

BETH EMETH YOUNG MARRIEDS

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Young Married Couples invite you to attend a Shabbat dinner on Friday, Dec. 13 at 6.30 p.m. Guest speaker will be **Rabbi Barry Schneider,** assistant rabbi at Beth Emeth.

The dinner will be held in BEBY Tessler hall, 100 Elder St. Reservations are $5 per person, payable in advance to Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda (newly marrieds). Please mail checks to **Gail Copeland,** 1 Canyon Ave., 1109, Downsview, Ont. M3H 4X8.

For more information call **Gail Coopeland,** 636-4090 or **Susan Bidner,** 789-9787.

CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM MEETING

Ontario Branch of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism will hold its general meeting in Adath Sholom Synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W., on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. Guest speaker will be **Peter Griffiths,** prosecuting attorney in the Zundel trial.

Admission is $2 per person. To inquire further, contact your sisterhood presidents.

FRANKEL ENDOWMENT DINNER

Yeshivat Bnei Akiva Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot Girls school, invite you to attend a gala dinner to establish the **Miriam** and **Aaron Frankel** Endowment Fund, on Saturday December 7, at 7 p.m., in Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Cost is $50 per person. For reservations call 630-6772. There will be no solicitation of funds.

singles

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Holy Blossom Temple 40 Plus Singles will gather for a Fun and Games Night with bridge, scrabble, trivia, etc. on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 8 p.m. in the Philip Smith Foyer, 1950 Bathurst. There will be prizes and refreshments, and no admission charge for this meeting.

Paid-in-full reservations must be received by Dec. 20 for **Beth Tikvah Chai Singles'** Happy New Year Gala Dinner Dance, with a delicious deli dinner, exciting prizes, deejay, a free drink, and cash bar. Numbers are limited. Cost is $20 for members, $25 non-members. Phone **Rose,** 226-1854, **Claire,** 781-7765, **Barbara,** 665-1903, **Trudy,** 661-7479.

And Beth Tikvah Chai Singles presents outstanding Jewish humorist **Allan Gould**, who will talk about Laughing to Keep from Crying, a commentary on Jewish humor. Join the group on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 8 p.m. in the synagogue's downstairs social hall, 3080 Bayview Ave. for a very special evening. Admission, $3 for members, $5 non-members, includes refreshments. (Bring your membership card).

Na'amat's Pioneer Women's Nurit Chapter invites single career women, mid-30s to early 40s, to share an evening with its members at their next meeting on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 8 p.m., when a speaker from the Lubavitch community will be featured.

For directions and more details phone the PW office, 636-5425, days.

The **Special Events Committee** is presenting a Chanukah party on Thursday, Dec. 5, from 7-11 p.m. at 750 Spadina Ave. Tickets at $7 are being sold at both the Jewish Community Centre northern and Bloor branches. The cost includes a tasty buffet including latkes and punch. Only 400 tickets are available, so get yours now.

B'nai B'rith Coed Singles Lodge (ATIDEYNU)suggests something different. Why not come out and play volleyball this Sunday and every other Sunday after that at the JCC Northern Branch, 4588 Bathurst St, 8.30 p.m. Cost is $3 for members, $4 non-members. For additional details call **Steve,** at 489-2692.

at the jcc

A Poetry Reading Workshop, profiling members of the North York Arts Council Wordsmiths reading their own poetry, is scheduled for 8 p.m., Monday, Dec. 2 at the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. This is part of the Topics Unlimited Series under the aegis of the adult program department. Admission is $1 at the door. For further information call **Georgine Nash,** 636-1880.

The task force on Jewish persons with disabilities presents **Michael Hirshberg,** karate expert and teacher, who will conduct a clinic demonstrating self-defence techniques for people with a wide variety of handicaps. This program is a hands-on workshop where individuals can learn how to defend themselves in dangerous situations.

The clinic will be held on Sunday, Dec. 1, in room 101-2 of the JCC northern branch, at 7.30 p.m. Cost is $2 for members, $4 non-members. Everyone is welcome. To inquire further, call **Helen Wolfe,** 636-1880, ext. 239. (TTY 636-5510).

A full prenatal program is now being offered at the JCC northern branch.

Childhood Preparation, taught by a registered nurse and childbirth educator, will help expectant parents meet their new role. Topics will include such aspects as nutrition, exercise and relaxation, labor and delivery and post-partum adjustment. The class is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m.

Prenatal Fitness, taught by a physiotherapist and childbirth educator, is ideal for women who are conscientious about maintaining fitness throughout pregnancy. A half-hour of discussion follows the exercise. Two classes per week may be selected from the following times: Monday 7 to 8.30 p.m., Tuesdsay, 9.30 to 11 a.m.; Thursday, 9.30 to 11 a.m. and Thursday, 7 to 8.30 p.m. For further information call 636-1880, ext 235.

Music is for everyone, including people with special needs. Yes, you can learn to play a musical instrument. It is the language of the emotions and everyone has an innate ability which should be nurtured.

On Monday, Dec. 16 at 7.30 p.m., in the Teen Lounge, JCC northern branch, pianist and teacher **Erica Rao,** will demonstrate how people with a variety of handicaps can learn to play a musical instrument. Cost is $2 for members, $4 non-members. For more information call **Helen Wolfe,** 636-1880, ext. 239. (TTY 636-5510).

The JCC 9th Annual Chanukah Run for Freedom on Sun. Dec. 1 is open to the entire community. Distances offered to participants are 5, 10 and 21 km.

A torch will be lighted at the airport and carried to the JCC by a large contingent of runners. All distances finish at the JCC northern branch. The JCC will bus to all starting points. After the run, the Chanukah ceremony will begin (noon) and a brunch will be served.

Door prizes will be given to each runner. As well, head and wrist bands, participation certificates and a guest pass to either the Women's or Men's Health Club will be given to each participant. Babysitting service will be provided from 8.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

There will also be Chanukah festivities from 12 to 2 p.m. at the JCC north branch. All children will receive a gift, there will be a musical entertainer in the front lobby, and latkes will be served. Activities, geared to children ages 3 to 10, will include arts and crafts, Chanukah games and movies, as well as a 20-minute workout for the entire family. All these festivities are open to the entire community free of charge. In fact, the day will be an Open House, so come try the facilities.

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APPRECIATION

To thank Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz Congregation for its donation to the Association for Welfare of Soldiers in Israel, the Toronto branch presented Rabbi Moses Burak and his committee with a certificate of appreciation. From left to right are J. Rosenthal, Rabbi Burak and Sam Faivish. Presenting the certificate is Teddy Fialkov, director of the association.

ENTERTAINER VISITS

Singer-entertainer Paul Zim greets Bella Isaac, a resident of the Jewish Home for the Aged, after performing a concert at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care recently. The concert, sponsored by Beth Torah Synagogue, was enjoyed by more than 250 members, residents and patients.[Baycrest Centre photo]

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A concert with **Ted Roberts** and Joe Hampson of the Travellers, will be given at 2 p.m. Tickets are $5. For more details call **Rona,** 636-1880, ext. 229.

At the **Koffler Gallery**, an exhibition, Jack Bush on Paper: Works from 1949 - 1975, will be offered from Dec. 3 to Jan. 30. This is a comprehensive overview of work in watercolor and gouache drawn from collections in both Canada and the United States. Some works borrowed from the Bush estate will be presented for the first time. This is a rare treat and should not be missed!

Brown Bag Lunch Film Series: Canadian Modernists, continues at the Koffler every Thursday in December and January at 12.30 p.m. There is no charge.

N/E Valley JCC is currently accepting registration for the 1986 winter pint-size playtime program. Space is available in the Tuesday and Thursday sessions. Registration is also being accepted for the 1986-87 junior afternoon kindergarten program, offered five days a week. For more information call **Jodi,** 889-0813.

N/E Couples Over 40 are having a special Chanukah celebration with a musical trivia program and dancing to a live band, The Sounds of the Past. There will be lots of latkes, marvellous music, great prizes and fun with good friends - all the ingredients for a terrific evening. Everyone is welcome. This is set for 8 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8, at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Cost is $15 per couple, and a $5 deposit is required by Dec. 1, payable to **Bettie Raibmon.** RSVP to Bettie at 881-4213, and for more details call **Rose Shapiro,** 889-0813.

Come to the JCC Valley for an afternoon of Chanukah fun and an opportunity to participate in a hands-on program for children 5 to 12 years. The party, to be held from 2 to 4 p.m., is the first of the Valley's programming for the season, with numerous activities. There will be a puppet show, chanukiah-making, demonstrations in computer science, baton, modern rhythmic gymnastics, Broadway babes, (drama) robotics - robot making and a visit from **Robbie the Robot.** Refreshments will be served. Cost per family is $6 for members, $7 for non-members.

for seniors

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Workmen's Circle Social Club Plus 50 meets on Tuesday, Dec. 3, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. for lunch and entertainment. Final payment for the Miami trip must be made at this meeting. And this is the last week to reserve for the Chanukah party slated for Dec. 10. For more details call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

Jubilee Club of Adath Sholom Synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W., invites you to a Cabaret Evening of entertainment with popular song stylist, **George Frank,** accompanied by his wife, **Sharon,** on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 8 p.m. There will be refreshments and door prizes. Everyone is welcome to come out and enjoy this fantastic evening. Admission is $1 for members, $2 non-members. (Please bring membership cards).

Reserve now for the Jubilee Club's Chanukah luncheon party, Sunday, Dec. 15 at 12.30 p.m. For more information call 665-1768 or 667-0599.

The Senior Citizens of the Labor Zionist Alliance will have their next luncheon meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 11.30 a.m. There will be committee reports and a suitable program.

A Chanukah party, jointly arranged by the Labor Zionist Alliance and the Senior Citizens Club, takes place on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 8 p.m. There will be candle-lighting and a program, followed by dancing to the music of **Morris Turk** and his orchestra. Chairman of the social committee is **Max Glick.**

The Cultural Circle meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. until noon. Chairman is **Leon Hertzberg.**

The Drop-in Centre is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Members can play cards, chess, dominoes and other games, and have refreshments.

The shuffleboard court is open each day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Every Tuesday evening from 7.30 to 9.30, there is a shuffleboard evening for chaverim and chaverot. A social and refreshments, follow the games.

A committee to receive payments for the Miami trip will sit Dec. 3 and 4 from 10 a.m. until noon.

All activities take place at 272 Codsell Ave.

President of the Senior Citizens Club is **Jack Goldbach.**

Upper Canada Friendship Club at 4266 Bathurst St. is planning a Chanukah Party for Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 4.15 p.m., with entertainment by **Morris Turk, Eva Fishman** and **Faigele Gartner.** A full course meal from **Zuchter's,** with latkes, wine and fruit, will be served. Arrangements are being made by **Rae Fergus, Dora Posluns** and volunteers.

For tickets, at $6 for building residents, $8 friends, call **Rae Fergus** 633-4210 or **Dora Posluns** 630-4888.

The Line and Ballroom Dancing at **Earl Bales Seniors Place** is now in full swing. Come out on Wednesday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30, and have an enjoyable evening with **Ada Goldblatt** assisted by **Irving Naftolin.** There is no charge.

Earl Bales Seniors Place is in the park at Sheppard and Bathurst.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club is holding a general meeting on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 1.30 p.m. in the shul, 100 Bathurst St. Refreshments will be served. Come and enjoy. At this gathering you may register for an afternoon Chanukah party to take place Dec. 15. Guests are welcome. For reservations call **Carl Pasternak,** 633-2997.

At the recent elections the following board was named: chairman, **Manning Shore,** vice-chairman, **Ben Katz,** recording secretary, **Boris Coopersmith,** financial secretary, **Carl Pasternak** and treasurer, **Moe Kuchinsky.**

On Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 12.30 p.m., mezzo soprano **Barbara Sadegur,** will entertain **at a musicalle luncheon sponsored by Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50,** at the synagogue. Everyone is welcome. Cost is $5.50 and you are asked to reserve early by calling 781-3511.

Wagman Centre Rabbis' Weekly Lecture Series commences on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 3 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge, 55 Ameer Ave. **Rabbi Moshe Rivlin** of the Kollel Avreichem, will consider Our Beautiful Heritage.

For additional information call **Howard Weiss,** at 789-5131, ext. 2269.

Congratulations to **Mrs. A. Hrivnak,** winner of the **Beth Sholom Seniors** draw for a 2-week stay at the diLido Hotel in Miami Beach.

Home baked goodies, household items, nearly new wearing apparel, books and many other things, will be offered for sale at a Bazaar on Sunday, Dec. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in **Sheppard Place Recreation Room,** 4455 Bathurst St.

Plan now to attend a New Year's Eve party to be presented by **Earl Bales Seniors' Club** at the community centre in Earl Bales Park, Sheppard and Bathurst, on Tuesday, Dec. 31 from 7 to 11.30 p.m. Enjoy a chicken dinner, dancing, and holiday fun. Admission is $10 for members, $12, non-members. To inquire further call **Pearl,** 636-7856, Monday to Thursday between 10 and 4 p.m.

Here's a great idea for children's Chanukah gifts. There will be a special sale of handmade wooden cabbage patch cradles and stools, $10 each, at Earl Bales Seniors Place. Hurry and buy while they last!

Members please note - Earl Bales Seniors' Place will be closed from Jan. 1, to March 17, 1986. To inquire further, call 636-7856, Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Holy Blossom Temple Alumni invite you to hear **Mel Olsberg,** executive director of the temple, explain The Complexities of Temple Administration, on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1950 Bathurst St.

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The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone no. is 225-2112.

Nancy McLeod, program co-ordinator for the Metro Toronto and York Region Lung Association, will examine Smoking and You, on Thursday, Dec. 5, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in the synagogue. Effects of Smoking, Second Hand Smoke and other topics, will be discussed. A film, Let's Call It Quits, will be shown. If you are a smoker, an avowed non-smoker, or just curious, come out and listen.

Image Before My Eyes, a documentary on pre World War II Polish Jewry, will be shown on Tuesday, Dec. 3, between 1.30 and 3 p.m. Admission is $1 for members, $2 non-members.

Attention Singles, Creative Living is starting a **Friendship Circle** with meetings on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m., beginning Nov. 28. For more information call **Suzanne,** 225-2212.

At the next Wednesday afternoon social, on Dec. 4, at 1.30 p.m., **Sandi Horwitz** will sing Yiddish and English songs from musical shows in which she has performed.

A representative of the Metropolitan Toronto District of the Canadian Cancer Society will speak on and demonstrate Breast Self-Examination on Thursday, Nov. 28, in the synagogue, at 1.30 p.m. All women are invited. A film and/or slides will be shown. Remember, early detection can be the first step to successful treatment.

Come out for the giant Rummage Sale, Sunday Dec. 1, 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Among the items available will be good used clothing, books, shoes and purses.

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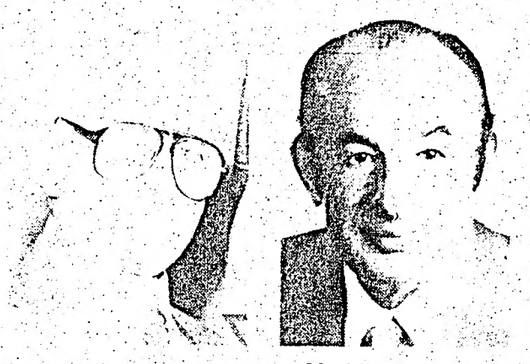

Sid Bearg — Nathan Hurwich

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Sid Bearg, president of the Jewish National Fund Toronto Council, and **Nathan Hurwich,** vice-president, JNF of Canada, two outstanding pacesetters, have together achieved a record-breaking 40% coverage of the total campaign cards for the Negev Dinner.

JNF Negev Dinner chairmen **Dr. Arnold (Bucky) Epstein** and **Madeleine Epstein** report that over 1,200 contributors will celebrate the biggest and best-ever Negev Dinner in the history of Toronto JNF in honor of **Donald Carr** and **Judy Feld Carr** on Sunday, Dec. 1, at the Royal York Hotel.

MORRIS JOINS FRIARS CLUB

Gerry Morris, New York drama critic for The Canadian Jewish News, has been accepted for membership in the prestigious Friars Club on East 55th St. in Manhattan. Since its inception in 1905, the Friars Club membership roster has included some legendary figures in show business.

Mark Adler

Adler heads Liberals

TORONTO —

Twenty-three year old Mark Adler has been elected federal vice-president of the Toronto and District Liberals Association. In this capacity he attends all riding executive meetings, settles constitutional disputes and acts as liaison between the central party and the riding associations.

Toronto-born Adler is a student at the University of Toronto, working toward his Masters degree in political science. He is vice-president of York Centre Riding Association and a past member of the U of T Student Administrative Council.

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Ivy Freeman (left) and Bessie Frisch, executive members of the Hebrew Weston Charitable Services, look at records of 1934 when the Junior League was formed.

Women's club carries on work of pioneers

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO — More than 65 years ago, Mollie Edell's mother, Hannah Segal, and a group of committed women, would trek out to the Weston Sanatorium by street car to deliver kosher food to Jewish patients. The arduous trip would take from noon to past dark.

And more than half a century ago, her mother opened her home on Palmerston Blvd., to a group of young women, many were the daughters of the original group of volunteers, who formed a Junior League of the Hebrew Weston Sanatorium Club.

Ethel, who is the president of the Hebrew Weston Charitable Services — the name now used by the group formed in 1934 — modestly explains that she was the first president of the group and has held this position at least four times.

"We have a small but dedicated group of women who have held office for many years and have carried on the work of the early pioneers and helped expand our services," she says. She notes that the immediate past co-chairmen, Ivy Freeman and Bessie Frisch have held many executive positions throughout the years.

The group began in 1918, when Fayguli Houzer began delivering kosher food to a relative hospitalized with tuberculosis at the Weston Sanatorium (now West Park Hospital). She discovered that there were several other Jewish patients who would not eat the food served at the hospital because they would only eat kosher food.

Houzer gathered together a group of women who helped raise the money for food, and they hired a cook to prepare the meals. The volunteers would ride the streetcar three times a week with their baskets full of food.

"They had to walk a considerable distance through the extensive grounds to reach the hospital," says the quiet-spoken president. "I guess you could say that's where meals-on-wheels actually began. The wheels were on the streetcar and the meals in their heavy baskets."

Through the 20s, when tuberculosis was not yet under control, she says, many women like the first presidents of the senior group, Mrs. Mehr and Mrs. M. Shully, conscientiously made the long journey to Weston in all kinds of weather.

It was the daughters of the original group who had formed the Junior League, who began extending the services in the late 1930s to include the impoverished families of those in the hospital.

"In those days, there was a real social stigma to have tuberculosis, so our group began helping the family members who were struggling for survival when the breadwinner was in the hospital."

Edell recalls the group's fund raising projects. "We held teas which cost 25¢ to attend, bridge games, food sales, and businessmen's lucheons. The money went for food, clothing and heating for the desperate families who had now increased to more than 50 Jewish patients in the San."

"We made a bar mitzvah where it was impossible for the family, and we even held bridal showers and a wedding."

She adds that it was heartbreaking to see how these families existed. "Often, they couldn't afford linens or the bare necessities."

By World War II, the group had developed an excellent reputation for their services. They were asked by the Weston Hospital to volunteer additional time to other patients, Jewish and non-Jewish, because there was a shortage of nurses.

"We also paid for things like blood transfusions and donated two beds in perpetuity to the hospital which is now called the West Park Hospital.

As tuberculosis was gradually being brought under control in the 1940s and 50s, the group extended its services to other institutions and financially supported the Anti-Tuberculosis League in Israel, the Reena and Ezra Kadima foundations and the Baycrest Centre, while they continued their activities in Weston.

In 1966, when the Coordinated Services to Jewish Elderly identified the need to provide kosher meals for people in the community who couldn't prepare their own meals, it turned to the Hebrew Weston Charitable Services to help finance a pilot project.

"It was the late Esther Winkler, a past president, who presented this project to us, and our group was the first to contribute financially to Coordinated Services to help establish the Meals-on-Wheels program." She adds that the group still supports this project each year with a $10,000 contribution.

Paying tribute to Winkler and to women like Sydell Zablow who served as treasurer for more than 20 years, Edell says she looks back with satisfaction on the accomplishments of the group.

"Our convenors still visit patients at West Park Hospital and we carry out our annual fund raising appeal which is being coordinated by Min Bader, Bert Halbert, Mary Beallor and Pearl Rubinoff.

"Our women are finding it more difficult to participate because we are getting on in age. I think the average age is 75," says Edell.

"We would like to attract new members to help us carry on the work that was started in 1918." She adds that the group would welcome any contributions to their fund raising campaign.

Inquiries about membership in the Hebrew Weston Charitable Services should be directed to Bessie Frisch, 782-6509. If you wish to contribute to their annual appeal, send your contributions to Mrs. Frank Bader, 508 St. Clements Ave., Toronto, M5N 1M4.

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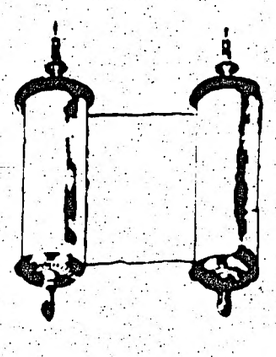

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Vayishlach

A Jew is what he **is**, not what he has. But sometimes people respect money more than holiness.

When the saintly Reb Zusia of Anipoli was young, he practiced "galus" — a self-inflicted wandering, to share in the suffering of the Shechina in exile.

Once he came to a certain town, and spent the day studying in the beit medrash (house of study). At night, he begged the parnas (synagogue elder) to take him home for a place to sleep. The parnas looked him up and down haughtily and announced: "For the likes of you we have the community flophouse. . . ." Reb Zusia had no choice but to sleep with the other "shleppers."

Many years later, Reb Zusia became famous for his righteousness, and he returned to the same town. This time the parnas had prepared a beautiful lodging for such a distinguished guest. When the parnas sent his messenger, Reb Zusia sent him back his horses and wagon to care for.

"Why did you just send me the horses?" demanded the parnas.

Answered the saint: "Many years ago when I was here, you refused me lodging. Now you are eager to have me. Why? I am the same person! The only difference is now I have horses — it is them that you respect. . . ." (Fun Unzer Alten Oitzer)

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After 36 years, Father Jacob had to confront his wicked brother Esau — a biblical summit meeting.

How would Esau receive him — with love, or with murderous intentions?

He wanted to impress Esau, so he sent generous gifts of donkeys and camels and sheep. He sent a message: "I have oxen and donkeys . . . and I have sent them to tell my master, to find favor in your eyes. . . ."

Strange! Father Jacob wanted to impress his brother. What better things he could have said . . . I spent 14 years studying the whole Talmud. I know all the laws of Yoreh Deah. I gave away tons of money in charity. I've fulfilled tens of thousands of acts of kindnesses. I was honest to the last fraction of a penny.

All this he could have been sent in his message — his sanctity, his fineness, his goodness.

Why not? Because he saw that it would not have impressed an Esau as much as a few extra cattle.

We never have to be ashamed of what we have or don't have. We have to be ashamed of sneakiness, of lies, of deceit, of false faces, of selfishness. Calloused hands are sometimes very soft and holy — soft hands, washed 10 times, can sometimes be very stained.

* * *

We must never bow to evil.

Eight times in his messages to wicked Esau, Father Jacob used the language — "My master, Esau!" Said the Al-mighty: "Because you honored Esau with the word 'My master' eight times, I swear that eight of his descendants will reign as kings before one of your children reigns as a king!" (Medrash Aggadah)

We need not fear the wicked, we need not bow to our enemies. Shabbat Shalom.

First Jew, first woman in post

Cancer Society names Rubin head

By
MARK DODICK

Isabel Rubin

TORONTO —

After many years of service to the Ontario division of the Canadian Cancer Society, Isabel Rubin has been elected its first Jewish and first woman president.

Rubin, born and raised in Toronto, moved to Aurora in 1944 and lived there for 30 years with her husband. She joined the cancer society in 1958 as a canvasser and the following year became president of Aurora unit and campaign chairman.

She gradually moved up the ladder of responsibility, overseeing the education committee at the district level and chairman of the same committee at the division level.

In 1979, she received the Governor-General's Medal commemorating Queen Elizabeth's silver jubilee for service to the community. In 1982, the Canadian Cancer Society made her an honorary life member.

Rubin explains that her devotion to the cancer society developed from a "keen interest in people and a desire to contribute to the community.

"It's also a wonderful opportunity for learning and personal growth," she says. "We feel that we're really out in the community and helping people and that's the most important thing."

Touched by the personal loss of her father to cancer about 12 years ago, Rubin has committed herself to spend 40 hours or more per week in her new volunteer position.

She expects to travel provincially, nationally and even internationally, educating the public and raising funds for research and patient care.

With the help of some 150,000 volunteers, the Ontario division raised $14.6 million of the $28 million raised nationally last year. This year, Rubin says, the goal for Ontario is $16 million out of a national goal of $32 million.

Rubin, a member of B'nai B'rith and Hadassah, says that in the past the society has not been as well utilized for information and education sessions by the Jewish community as she would like.

She hopes the community will call more often so "they will learn a lot of things they weren't aware of that aren't gruesome."

To support that claim, Rubin supplies cancer society statistics showing that the long war against cancer is producing some encouraging results.

Survival rates for breast, lymphatic, ovarian, testicular and other forms of cancer have all risen remarkably over the last 30 years, those statistics show.

Rubin admits she becomes discouraged "like everyone else" when productive research and better treatments don't happen fast enough, "but I get up when I see improvements."

And she says she is especially hopeful when she sees people who have come through cancer with a smile and the desire to resume their lives.

"One of these days we hope we'll be able to hang a sign on the door saying: 'Out of business.' "

Beginning with presiding at all meetings of the executive committee and the board of directors of the society, Rubin's duties during her 2-year term run over two pages. But she says she is ready for the challenge.

"It's an exhilarating society; your life is not your own, but I think it will be exciting."

The Canadian Cancer Society was formed in 1938 at the suggestion of the Canadian Medical Association to educate the public. It later began to provide patient support and raise funds for research.

For more information about the society and its activities, contact your local unit or write the Ontario division office at 1639 Yonge St., Toronto M4T 2W6.

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Organizations and People

Some 5,000 Torontonians will be called by UJA

Campaign comes down to Clean Sweep Week

By
BOB GOTTLIEB

TORONTO —
UJA Campaign 86 is counting down.

What began with an incredible amount of strategic planning and "bringing on board" in the spring and early summer — and evolved to a period of intense canvassing by over 1,000 committed UJA volunteers in the fall — is now down to just five crucial days in December: the make or break days of Clean Sweep Week.

Clean Sweep. There's a maximum-effort ring to it, and maximum effort is what's laid on for Dec. 1-5, when hundreds of UJA volunteers will be making telephone contact with past contributors "who've not yet had the opportunity to signify their commitment to the current campaign."

Campaign chairman Jack Gwartz estimates some 5,000 members of the Toronto Jewish community will be called during the week of Clean Sweep — a substantial enough number to place the 1986 UJA effort within range of its goal, he says.

Also targeted in addition to past contributors: a lengthy list of Jewish newcomers to the city "who will be afforded a first-time opportunity to pledge their support to the Jewish community's central fund raising campaign," Gwartz added.

Reviewing Jewish community response since the UJA undertaking began in mid-August, Gwartz reports that in excess of 22,000 pledges have been recorded to date, with an average of some 2,000 commitments per week reaching campaign headquarters over the past eight weeks.

For the volunteers who turn out to man the phones come December 1st, event chairman Adrienne Offman — who operates on the theory that dynamics beget dynamics — has set a purely dynamic tone for the evenings of Clean Sweep.

All UJA participants will be feted at a nightly kickoff buffet, and among other souvenirs each will receive a specially imprinted Clean Sweep Week T-shirt. All food and other items have been donated for the occasion.

A sidelight to the event will take place on Sunday, Dec. 1 when that period has been set aside for telephone canvassing by representatives of local Jewish communal agencies and institutions receiving UJA funding through Toronto Jewish Congress. Also on hand to participate during the day will be TJC officers and members of the Toronto Jewish Congress executive.

Guests give to UJA Ethiopian Jewry Fund

Kornblums celebrate their 50th

TORONTO —
What do you do when you approach your golden wedding aniversary date in good health, surrounded by a loving family and friends? You plan a party to celebrate!

That's just what Morris and Billie Kornblum did this year to commemorate their 50 years of marriage. The Kornblums, their three married children and spouses invited 200 guests to share a memorable evening with them at Adath Israel Synagogue.

Billie and Morris Kornblum

There was one specific proviso on the invitation however — no gifts. Instead, they asked that any guest who so desired, make a contribution on behalf of Morris and Billie to the United Jewish Appeal Ethiopian Jewry Fund.

Family and friends acceded to the wishes of their hosts, and as a result, the UJA Ethiopian Jewry Fund is richer by $3,000.

When the elder Kornblums were in Israel in July, they had the opportunity to visit an Ethiopian absorption centre. There they learned at first hand the urgency for funds from world Jewry.

They also had an exemplary model to emulate in their son-in-law, Dr. [illegible] Taub (married to their daughter Judy). Taub, who is secretary-treasurer of the Jewish dental fraternity's Alpha Omega Foundation, played a decisive role in persuading his in-laws to use their simcha as a vehicle through which to raise money for the special fund.

Earlier this year Alpha Omega turned in more than $43,000 to UJA as its contribution in helping to alleviate the cost of absorbing and resettling Ethiopian Jews in Israel.

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Organizations and People

Torontonian on committee on abuse of elderly

Cooper named to U.S. Congress advisory panel

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

A local Jewish community worker has been appointed the Canadian representative to the U.S. House of Representatives' international advisory committee on abuse of the elderly.

Eleanor Cooper, a member of North York Mayor Mel Lastman's task force on abuse of the elderly, is Canadian representative to the committee sponsored by Congressman Claude Pepper (Democrat, Florida).

"Our basic concern is public awareness," Cooper says. "This problem is not recognized and a lot of people are saying it's not a problem partly because there are no statistics."

Neglect, financial and physical abuse are the three major forms of the problem, Cooper, chairwoman of the National Council of Jewish Women says. "The preventive aspects are what we have to look at."

As a researcher and coordinator on Lastman's task force chaired by her husband Dr. Jerry Cooper (chief of psychiatry at York-Finch General Hospital), Mrs. Cooper became aware the problem was not restricted to North York.

In April she and her husband traveled to Boston's Beth Israel Hospital to observe its elder assessment team. This group is trained to determine whether a person age 65 and older has been subject to abuse.

"The problem of abuse not being reported," Cooper says, adding that it is often difficult to recognize. So Beth Israel has developed a check list to help analyze if abuse is present Cooper explains.

As a result, Cooper said, York-Finch set up a similar pilot project in its emergency department, but suited to their own needs.

The Coopers traveled again to obtain a broader understanding of the problem.

In August, they went to London, England and met with representatives of the department of health and social security concerned with similar problems.

And in October they met with Congressman Pepper's aides in Washington to lay the groundwork for the international committee.

Pepper, 85, a former senator, is chairman of the rules committee of the House of Representatives, and chairman of the subcommittee on aging of the House.

The Washington-based committee includes Cooper; John Stokesberry, director of the department of health and rehabilitative services for Fort Lauderdale (U.S. representative); Dr. Denise Edelmeir, director of public health for Jamaica; and representatives from Great Britain to be named in the near future.

Cooper says present members are hoping the committee will be expanded to include representatives from other countries.

For more information contact Eleanor Cooper at (416) 747-3843.

Eleanor Cooper

Bialik will mark three anniversaries

TORONTO —

Bialik Hebrew Day School is planning a celebration on April 12 and 13, 1986, to mark the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Jewish Folk Shule, the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Borochov School and the 25th anniversary of Bialik.

The Bialik celebration committee says many records including lists of students and graduates were destroyed in the fire of 1972 and as a result it is unable to contact many of those who would likely wish to attend these events.

Former teaching staff, office staff, graduates and students of Bialik Hebrew Day School (from 1961-[illegible] the Jewish Folk Shule and the Borochov School and Kindergarten are asked to spread the word and phone the committee (Nadine: 783-3346).

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Harold Alter, UJA professional responsible for Health Professions division, accepts check from Dr. Harvey Taub of Alpha Omega dental fraternity.

Generous dentists help UJA's Ethiopian fund

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

When news first broke at the beginning of the year regarding the terrible plight of Ethiopian Jewry, Alpha Omega, the Jewish dental fraternity, lost no time in taking action.

Through the Alpha Omega Foundation, the fraternity's charitable arm, it was decided to make an emergency gift in the amount of $18,000 to the United Jewish Appeal Ethiopian Jewry Fund which had just been set up for that purpose.

"That figure represented 1,000 times chai," Dr. Harvey Taub, the foundation's secretary-treasurer, explained. Fraternity president, Dr. Mitchell Levine, was the driving force behind the decision that action be taken without delay, according to Taub.

"When we brought the matter before the executive," recalled Taub, "the reaction was immediate. There wasn't a dissenting voice or negative comment."

That kind of generosity is not unusual for Alpha Omega members. Over the years their reputation for communal involvement and charitable funding has grown steadily.

"As a matter of fact," said Taub, "members dug into their own pockets to match the $18,000 gift."

They did much better than that, coming up with an additional $25,000.

That came about following Alpha Omega's annual dinner in early 1985. Wendy Schelew, who then headed the Ethiopian Jewry sub-committee on International Affairs, Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario region, was the speaker.

What she had to say before the gathering obviously made a tremendous impact. As a result, the UJA Ethiopian Jewry Fund is the beneficiary of a contribution which eventually reached a total in excess of $43,000.

"It's just this type of response that makes us proud to be part of Alpha Omega," Harvey Taub commented.

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Organizations and People

New book calls for greater understanding

Rosenberg urges genuine interfaith dialogue

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

"In the light of the real issues, the Jewish-Christian dialogue has been a singular failure. It has failed because the Jews as well as the Christians who are engaged in it do not have the moral courage to face the truth about Jewish-Christian relationships."

These words by Rabbi Eliezer Berkovits, a professor of theology and a leading American Orthodox rabbi, were quoted by Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg at an interview with The CJN, to discuss the launching of his recently published book, Christians and Jews: The Eternal Bond, (Oxford University Press, $19.75). This is a revised and updated edition of Bridge to Brotherhood published in 1960.

The author says that his new book was written for both Christians and Jews because without a better understanding of its Jewish sources, Christians can hardly know very much about Christianity. And Jews need a closer knowledge of their own traditions in order to survive as Jews in a world dominated by other religions.

"There is a new communication and a new ecumenism since Bridge to Brotherhood was published," says Rosenberg. In the forward of Christians and Jews: The Eternal Bond, Rev. Theodore Heslough, the president of the University of Notre Dame writes, "Christians have come to a far more acute appreciation of the tenacity of prejudice in our midst, and of the roots of the abominations of Auschwitz in those mindless evasions of responsibility on the part of Christians."

Rosenberg, a pioneer of Christian-Jewish dialogue in Canada, cautions Jews that before true dialogue can take place between Christians and Jews, Christians must fully understand the Jewish sources of their own faith.

And the book, which is written for laymen, explains Rosenberg, is also good for Jews "to learn of Judaism from this angle of vision." He skillfully weaves together Jewish history and rituals and describes their counterparts in Christianity.

Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg

Rosenberg, who is currently the rabbi of Toronto's Beth Torah Congregation and a well-known lecturer in Canada and the United States, believes that there is a new Jewish identity. "We are more vocal, more open and more self-confident. We should throw away our Hush Puppies. We were walking around with sneakers too long — not talking about ourselves as Jews — not opening our mouths for fear of this or fear of that."

Jews, he maintains, are preaching to the converted from pulpits and study groups. "We are not meeting with our opposite numbers and saying it head on." He says that many great scholars like Maimonides weren't afraid to speak out. "He had something to teach both Christians and Moslems."

Understanding dialogue means that both parties have equal rights and must be heard as equal partners. "They must explain themselves as they see themselves and not as they are defined by other people."

He stressed that dialogue "doesn't have to be a formal meeting set up by an organization or church with 30 or 40 people sitting around a table saying, let's get to love each other.

"Dialogue should be one human being speaking to another intelligently on subjects of profound concern to them — discussing how they relate to each other — from the depths of their experience of themselves."

Rosenberg believes that dialogue has been useful. "Over the last 20 or 30 years, we've just opened the whole question. I don't expect that the prejudice and mountains of misunderstanding that took 2,000 years to erect, can be rectified in such a short time."

Quoting from the Mishna, Rosenberg noted, "You don't have to complete the work but you're not free from the obligation to start it, to work at it — but don't think you are going to finish it."

As an example, he said, Jules Isaac, a French Jewish professor who lost most of his family in the Holocaust, after a series of visits to the Vatican, forced Pope John XXIII to ask the church to rethink its position on the Jews.

This led to the famous Jewish Declaration of the Vatican Council II, and for the first time in almost 2,000 years, "the church admitted, confessed openly that it had participated in anti-semitic acts and thoughts and doctrines." In 1985, 20 years later, the council finally ratified this declaration, which Rabbi Rosenberg emphasizes "did not go far enough, but it was a breakthrough."

Rosenberg, who has just completed his 18th book entitled The Christian Problem: A Jewish View, in which he further develops the theory that Jews can not remain silent, emphasizes that the most dangerous threat to Jewish survival in a free society is not the non-Jew but the "self-hating Jew, the ignorant Jew, the Jew who is in retreat from himself."

With deep emotion he stresses, "The serious danger is not the enemy outside but the enemy inside — and that enemy is ourself." For this reason, he adds, he wrote Christians and Jews: The Eternal Bond, in the hopes that Jews will gain a better understanding of their own position.

"And what makes Rosenberg run," he says with a smile, "I am trying to write for my grandchildren, all grandchildren, as Jews, not just as persons. I want my thoughts on self-accepting and self-affirming Jews to reach the next generation, because you can always go back to a book, but you don't go back to a sermon."

Christians and Jews: The Eternal Bond was launched recently at a celebration at Beth Torah Synagogue sponsored by the Canadian distributors, Oxford University Press (Canada). Speakers included: Kenneth Bagnell, United Church minister and editor, Rabbi Bernard Baskin, book reviewer for The CJN, Rev. Richard Jones, former president, Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, and Peter McGarvey, CKEY broadcaster.

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Esther Jungreis

Rebbetzin finds Western Jews in dismal state

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Western Jews today find themselves in a "very dismal" state because of intermarriage, a breakdown of the Jewish family and "Jewish illiteracy," warns a leading U.S. rebbetzin.

Esther Jungreis, author of the best-selling Jewish Soul on Fire, cable TV personality and charismatic speaker, told a group of high school and university students at the Jewish Community Centre recently that Jews are in trouble mainly because of those three factors.

The Hungarian-born rabbi's wife and survivor of Bergen-Belsen said intermarriage, currently estimated at an average 50%, is destroying Jews.

"Why is it that what Hitler couldn't do in the concentration camps, we are doing to ourselves?" asked Jungreis, who comes from a long line of Hungarian rabbis.

She had the audience riveted with her fiery talk on Jewish revivalism.

In the U.S., the tiny but intense Jungreis is widely known as a "Jewish evangelist," luring young Jews back into the fold with her forceful speaking style which ranges from dramatic whispers to emotional shrieks.

Intermarriage, she said, has become acceptable because Jews have put their own happiness in front of their obligations to each other.

"It's a new god, happiness. It justifies whatever you want," Jungreis said. "It's happening all over— in every family, in every community."

In Denver, she said, intermarriage has reached 75%, the highest rate in the U.S.

"We are losing our sons and daughters. What hope is there with intermarriage, assimilation and zero population growth?"

Intermarriage has been made possible by the recent drop in "morals and values" in Jewish life, she added.

Judaism has become diluted since the days of the European shtetl, thanks also to fewer children and looser family ties in what used to be the traditionally strong Jewish family.

"Our children are our future. We are a nation of families but today, the family is no longer a factor."

As for "Jewish illiteracy," Jungreis said "the average Jew is a Jewish illiterate.

"If you do not know Torah and Israel, there is no reason for you to be a Jew."

The trouble with today's "infantile" education is that Jews are learning all the humanities and sciences but not enough about Judaism.

She warned against the dangers of assimilation of Jews, pointing out that in Germany, Hitler came to power in a society in which Jews were highly assimilated.

Jungreis also leads the U.S.-based group Hineni, which tries to bring secularized or disenchanted young Jews back into the religious fold and attempts to bring Jews out of cults.

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Organizations and People

ORT changes with times, French director tells meeting

By
RON CSILLAG

Jules Bloch

TORONTO —
Jules Bloch takes great pride in pointing out that in France, students are allowed to write exams and papers in Hebrew, because France, home of liberty, fraternity and equality, recognizes many languages in its everyday communications.

As director-general of ORT in France, Bloch, once a leader of the French Resistance during World War II, today oversees one of that country's most successful educational systems. ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) runs eight schools in France, enrolling a total of 10,000 pupils and boasts an impressive 87% success rate of students finding related work after graduation.

In Toronto recently to address some 50 Eastern leaders of Women's Canadian ORT, Bloch told The CJN in an interview that France has the second largest ORT network in the world, after Israel.

There are four ORT schools in Paris and one each in Strasbourg, Marseilles, Toulouse and Lyon, Bloch said. Each year, they graduate between 2,500 and 2,700 students, ranging in age from 17 to 60.

Founded in 1880, ORT runs over 800 vocational and technical schools in 27 countries with some 100,000 students, making it the world's largest non-governmental vocational and technical training program in the world.

Originally, it was dedicated to fill a skills-training need for Jews worldwide but today, many non-Jews, up to 10% in some places, attend ORT schools for technical and vocational training or retraining. Since its founding, over 2 million have graduated.

In Israel, over one-quarter of the work force is ORT-trained.

ORT in Canada has about 900 male members and some 5,000 women in 14 community chapters.

Today, ORT is maintaining its reputation for keeping pace with changing times and anticipating future needs, Bloch, 60, noted. Ever evolving and aware of the ebb and flow of a fickle labor market, today's ORT schools are focusing more and more on high technology training.

ORT is busy preparing for the coming crunch in the workplace, where in the next decade, two out of three blue-collar workers will change fields, Bloch noted.

ORT also specializes in architectural design, mechanics, telecommunications and electronics.

And throughout the years, Bloch noted, ORT schools haven't lost their Jewish character. They still teach Jewish history and Hebrew as compulsory subjects.

At one time, ORT schools attracted mainly men seeking to learn a trade. But today, at least in France, 40% of students are female.

And the French government funds ORT schools to the tune of 90% of their operating budgets, so they are taken seriously.

One of Bloch's missions in Toronto was to set up a first for ORT: a co-ed chapter, composed of about 50 francophone North African Jews.

Bloch admitted a special affinity to North African, Sephardic Jews. As far as he's concerned, Sephardic Jews have saved the Jews of France from disappearance.

French Jewish makeup is now roughly 20% Ashkenazi and 80% Sephardic. Before World War II, Bloch noted, French Jews were French first, Jews second and highly assimilated.

Today, because of the huge influx of Jews from North Africa since the war, France's 600,000 Jews are enjoying a new pride and identity. Apart from numbers, Bloch said, Jews from North Africa have brought a change in attitude to the French Jewish community.

That's no small achievement, Bloch said, given the history of shaky relationships between France and Jews.

But foremost in Bloch's mind these days is the high and rising rate of unemployment in France.

He feels French leaders are wrong in assuming that unemployment can be resolved at the national level. Only by tackling joblessness locally can unemployment be eased, he feels — thus, ORT's philosophy that each school tailor its services to its area's needs.

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Although we're approaching the homestretch in the 1986 campaign, there has been no perceptible letup in meetings, telethons and other activities, all designed to keep the juices flowing and campaign interest at a high level.

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Topping the list of upcoming events is **UJA Clean Sweep Week.** Plans have been finalized for the four evenings of telethons, and take it from those in the know, it's going to be fun, fun, fun . . . while cleaning up those outstanding pledge cards.

The dates — **December 2, 3, 4, 5,** beginning each evening with dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Lipa Green Building's Fourth Floor Conference Centre, then on to the telephone especially installed for the occasion, after which there will be a l'chaim and the distribution of prizes for **everyone.**

Please circle the date on your calendar and join your colleagues on the evening assigned to your division. If that particular date is unsuitable for you, just inform the UJA office that you will be coming on another more convenient evening during Clean Sweep Week. You should have received a letter with details.

But please come. We want and need you!

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Oops, we goofed!

Our humble apologies to **Elaine Kahn,** Canvasser Education Chairman for the Business & Professional Women's Network.

In the November 14 column, we inadvertently credited **Linda** Kahn, B&P Fund-raising Chairman, instead of **Elaine** for successfully organizing and running three canvasser education programs earlier this year.

We could try to weasel out by blaming the "typesetting gremlin," or better yet, the computer, but alas, the error was strictly of our own making. And so, with red face, Elaine, we extend apologies with no excuses.

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Harry Krakowsky's keeping a high profile these days. The Medical Professions Chairman joined thirteen of his fellow physicians for a telethon just over a week ago.

Present were Drs. **Brian Silver** (Division Co-chairman), **Irv Gottesman, Joel Jeffries, Gerry Koffman, Howard Langer, Lawrence Leiter, Howard Price, Irving E. Rosen, Zev Shainhouse, Lorne Sidenberg, Ivan Silver, Harvey Zimmerman** and **Ron Zuker.**

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The Lipa Green Building's Fourth Floor Conference Centre was taxed to the limit when 300 young men and women crowded into the room to hear an address by Crown Attorney **Peter Griffiths.**

Griffiths, who was the prosecutor at the Zundel trial, was the featured speaker at a combined Young Adults and Young Lawyers program. His subject — hate literature and its implications for Canada.

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Young Adults have initiated an "outreach to newcomers" — Friday evening get-togethers at private homes. Socializing is followed by an Oneg Shabbat. What a great idea.

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What's new in Women's Division? Telethon and more telethons.

Elaine Fink, WD Telethon Co-ordinator, managed to organize another great Sunday morning exercise, with an amazing **300 cards** successfully covered by the time it ended.

Some of the women who came out with Elaine and Chairman **Anne Handelman** included: **Clara Tepner, Jane Chapnick, Jo Ann Steinberg, Fay Gold, Bert Bank, Barbara Bank, Marilyn Namak, Marcia Zionce, Sandi Bernstein, Diane Miller, Susan Pearl, Temmie Greenberg** and **Donna Lindo.**

An added bonus was provided by the presence of four youngsters who lent a welcome hand (voice?) on the telephones — **Shevi Wenner, Elisheva Berger, Temima Sanders** and **Navine Kobrin.**

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Welfare Fund, TJC and UJA aficionados who frequented 150 Berverley and now come to the Lipa Green Building, may not all know the lady by name, but the many who have had personal contact with **Joyce Peery** for more than 25 years, know our office manager to be a **lady** of efficiency, quality and gentleness. Joyce has decided to retire at the end of the year and embark on the good life.

TJC management and staff threw her a whale of a party at which Joyce's former bosses and her many ex-staff friends came out to pay tribute to this very special lady.

We wish her well.

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Organizations and People

"Thanks God, my health is still good"

This spry centenarian enjoys living by himself

By
PAUL LUNGEN

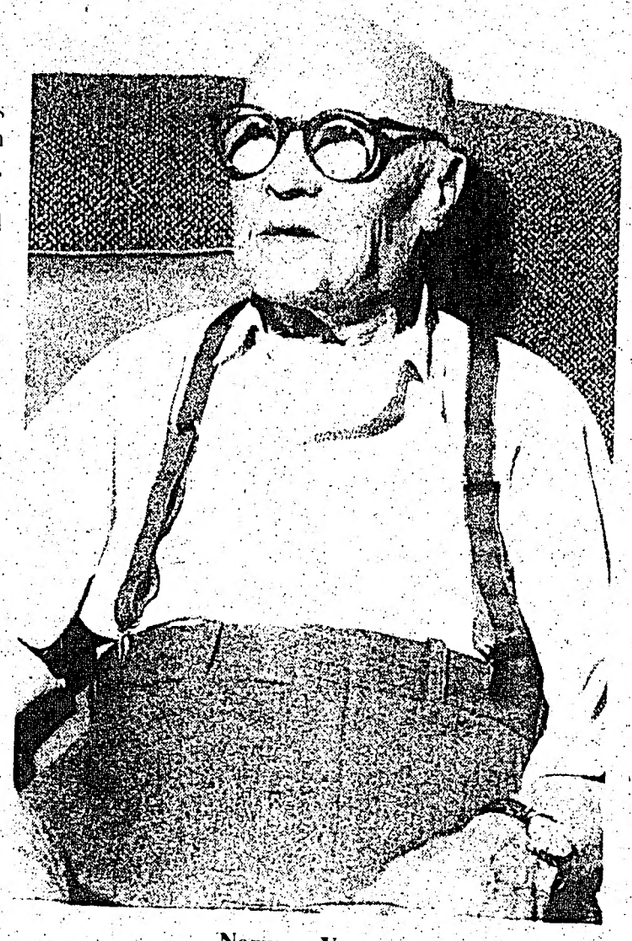
TORONTO —
You're only as old as you feel, and Norman Young feels pretty good, "thanks God."

Young, a tiny, hunched over senior citizen, will shortly be celebrating another birthday. He's celebrated his share of birthdays before, but this one is something special, something of a milestone.

When Dec. 1 comes around, his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and sisters will gather to join him in celebrating his upcoming 100th birthday at a dinner at the Bristol Place Hotel.

At 100 years of age, Young is still remarkably spry and alert, so much so that the centenarian lives by himself in his own apartment north of Finch, off Bathurst St.

"I'm quite happy by myself," the wizened, former dairy owner says. "I went down to see (the moshav zekenim [seniors home]), but didn't like it. "Unless I have to, I wouldn't change."



Norman Young

Born Dec. 15, 1885 in the town of Yassy, Romania, Young immigrated to Canada in 1904, just ahead of the military draft. "If I'd stay there another year or two, I would have had to join the army, and I didn't feel like being in the army," he says.

On his arrival in Hamilton, Young took a job in the trade he learned in the old country — making brushes used to clean streets by hand.

When the company went bankrupt, he decided to try his luck in the same line of work in New York, where he recalls earning between $9 -$11 per week.

It wasn't much, Young says, "but I was saving my pennies and I accumulated a few hundred dollars." He set out looking for his own business to buy.

A "Yiddishe" real estate agent pointed him in the direction of a dairy business, which he purchased for $500, $200 of which he borrowed from his brother in Hamilton.

For 2½ years he worked at it, rising at midnight to catch a ferry across the Hudson River (there were no tunnels or bridges back then, Young recalls) to pick up milk at a farm in New Jersey.

Hauling the milk back with his horse and buggy, Young was back in Manhattan by 3 a.m., where he would buy a cake for 10¢ and a cup of coffee for 5¢ as his breakfast. "Then I peddled the milk."

During his stay in New York, Young met his first wife, Molly, thanks to some amateur matchmaking by his cousin.

"My cousin wanted me to get married, I was at that age," Young recalls. She arranged for him to meet two young women. He liked one of them, Young remembers: "She was a nice girl and I married her."

Eventually he and his wife Molly moved back to Canada, since he "liked the small city Hamilton better than the big city New York," and he again got into the dairy business. "It's hard work if you want to make a living," he states.

He and Molly started a family and had two sons, Gershon and Morris, and a daughter Anne.

Molly passed away in 1918 and Young later remarried. He and his second wife Sarah had four sons, Herbert, Sydney, Joe and Lloyd.

Now, Young is the grandfather and great-grandfather of "quite a number of grandchildren, I can hardly tell you how many."

His health is still good, "thanks God. At my age, I shouldn't complain."

He attributes his longevity to living "a natural life. I don't smoke, I don't drink, I don't gamble. I mind my own business," he says in his no-nonsense way, "and live like a respectable type of man."

One day a week, his son takes him for services at the Pride of Israel Synagogue, where he's been a member since 1911.

When they call him for aliyahs, they call for "the baby," he chuckles.

Looking back on the last century, Young says "I've had a fair life. I had it tough of course — the sweet with the bitter."

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RABBI DAVID MONSON reviews a new book just published — You Can Be Your Own Rabbi — Most of the Time, by Toronto's Rabbi Aron Horowitz. The book, at $18, is available at Jewish book stores or can be ontained direct from the author by calling (416) 782-1534. A great idea for a Chanukah gift!

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Rabbi Aron Horowitz, the descendant of an illustrious rabbinic dynasty, is a well known educator who has left an indelible mark on the evolution of Canadian Jewry. Some of the most outstanding people involved in public Jewish life in this country owe much of their commitment and zeal for things Jewish to the apprenticeship they served under Rabbi Horowitz in Hebrew summer camps, day schools and university lecture halls.

In his autobiographical memoir Striking Roots, published a few years ago, Rabbi Horowitz reflected on this educational experience to which he had contributed so much and on the meanderings of Canadian Jewry towards some sense of national and religious consensus. In that essay Rabbi Horowitz showed himself to be the possessor of an insightful mind.

In his current book, the fruits of many years of introspection and labor, Horowitz has deployed the same incisive thinking and analytical skills. Whereas in his previous book the canvas was primarily a Canadian one, the present text seeks as its subject the whole glorious edifice of Judaism itself.

Volume filled with scores of humorous anecdotes

Now Horowitz is not, of course, the first author to compose a volume on Jewish beliefs and practices. He has entered a field that has been well trod by others. This being said, Rabbi Horowitz's contribution is sui generis.

Its uniqueness derives from several elements. First, the Horowitz primer is encyclopedic in scope — the author has reached deep down into the interstices of Jewish law and lore in order to explain things which are not normally found in manuals of this nature. Horowitz's analysis of the dialectic of the Gemarah comes to mind as an example of his thoroughness.

In addition to its comprehensive nature the book is based on a sound premise — that what is needed in modern Jewish life is not ideological purity but intellectual honesty. Rabbi Horowitz has a broad sense of tolerance for a wide range of Jewish philosophies, even though his own inclinations towards Orthodoxy are obvious.

Where his tolerance runs out. However, is for those who speak for Judaism out of ignorance. Horowitz expresses the view in this work that misguided views about the nature of Judaism and its Scriptures are widespread. A rabbi who cannot differentiate between "m'nucha," meaning rest, and "mincha," meaning the afternoon service is cited as an example of unenlightened representatives who speak on behalf of Judaism today.

It is in response to that kind of misinformation that Horowitz has composed his memoir. In doing so his work recalls the fine text by Rabbi Hayyim Donin, To Be A Jew, which was published a decade ago. There is one major difference between the two books. Horowitz's volume is filled with scores of humorous anecdotes and stories culled from his life experience in Israel, Canada and the United States.

It is that sharp wit and sense of humor which distinguishes the Horowitz essay not only from the Donin volume but from all the other manuals of its kind. The very title of the book, You Can Be Your Own Rabbi — Most Of The Time, hints at the tongue-in-cheek character of the author's approach.

Let no one think, however, that Rabbi Horowitz's fine sense of irony (which only occasionally lapses into sarcasm) detracts in any way from the instructional nature of his composition. On the contrary, it adds a dimension of interest and readability to a genre that is usually lacking in such ingredients.

There is only one minor defect to be found in this remarkable compendium of Jewish religion and civilization. The print font is unattractive and impedes the pleasure of reading. In the same context one should also note certain eccentricities of editing — such as the use of upper and lower cases incorrectly.

These, of course, are stylistic problems and they do not rob the text of its integrity.

That integrity is seen in Horowitz's magisterial survey of the origins of Judaism, the major holidays, the basic religious texts of the faith, the Jewish life cycle and the denominationalism in modern Jewish life.

In each of his expositions of these phenomena the author offers not only scholarly observations but also astute comments about contemporary political and sociological factors as they relate directly to the subject matter.

One of the best illustrations of this approach is the interpretation which Horowitz brings to the Ten Commandments and especially his remarks about the violation of the prohibition against graven images. The author's comments about hero worship in modern life as an example of the way in which people disobey the biblical law — are priceless.

The reader will also find the rabbi's sections on Orthodoxy, Conservatism and Reform of great value. In navigating through the stormy waters that sometime envelop these groups the author has been careful to avoid the shoals of intra community arguments.

Although here and there one detects Horowitz's traditional predilections, he is prudent in his critical appraisals. For the author what counts is a knowledgeable foundation for belief, one built on acquaintance with the sacred texts of Judaism and the process through which those texts have been channelled into Jewish life.

Rabbi Aron Horowitz has written his own Code of Jewish Law and in doing so he has placed himself in the line of the codifiers who in the past have helped chart the Jewish peoples' destiny. A hearty yasher koach! Rabbi Horowitz.

Guide helps choose jewelry

Consumers shopping for jewelry this Chanukah can benefit from a new brochure produced by the Canadian Jewellers Association.

A Consumer Guide to Jewellery and Watches is a glossy color pamphlet packed with 16 pages of information on diamonds, gold, pearls, colored gemstones and watches.

"The original printing of 110,000 Wordbooks was distributed by jewelers nationwide in less than two years," says CJA general manager John Theo.

"Given its popularity, we decided to expand it, by doubling the number of pages and adding color."

The result is an attractive and detailed pamphlet consumers can use this Chanukah and hold on to as a reference guide for future purchases.

Five pages have been devoted to diamonds and pearls. The booklet details how they are judged for quality and value — useful information for the shopper who thinks all diamonds or pearls are alike.

Another section on color stones decribes some of the lore associated with gemstones in history.

For example, emeralds are said to denote love and success and were chosen by Napoleon for Empress Josephine.

And Emperor Nero was said to refresh and restore his vision by viewing the violence of the gladiator shows through the clarity of a fine emerald.

The guide is also a dictionary of terms, defining such articles as "rolled gold plate," "vermeil" and "LCD."

Sections on gold and silver include specific terms and definitions from Canada's Precious Metal Marking Act and Regulations.

Rounding out the guide are sections defining watch terms and general tips on how to shop for jewelry wisely.

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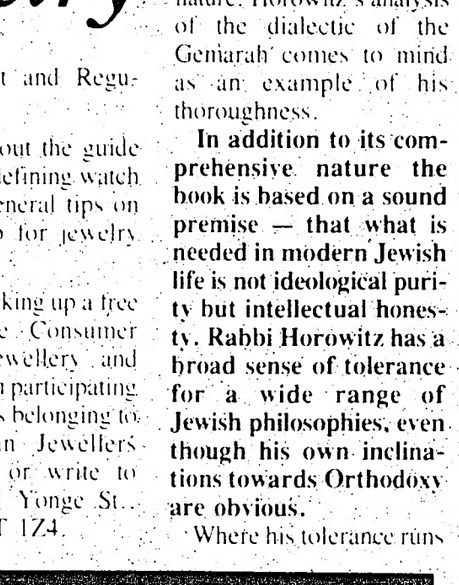

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Scarves, jewelry make perfect gift

Designer creates stunning lines

By
LEN BUTCHER

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It is impossible not to see the distinctive Jane Hall scarves, cosmetic bags or jewelry when out shopping, whether you're in Nanaimo or Newfoundland.

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I met the impish looking mother of three at her Adelaide St. factory where yards of silk were stretched out on frames waiting to be painted — by hand.

That's right, Veronica, it's true. Hall and her staff hand paint her mostly geometric designs on the silk used for scarves and jewelry and the cotton chintz used in her attractive cosmetic bags carried by Holt Renfrew and Madame Angelo.

The laminated, hand painted fabrics make stunning earrings, necklaces and braclets and along with the rest of her lines, are perfect gifts for Chanukah, even if that gift is for yourself.

Two years ago, Hall was working out of her basement, designing handpainted scarves. But her husband, who has a sales agency for giftware, soon had her product in a number of stores. The price was right — Jane Hall scarves start at $10 — and the designs were daring.

The rest, as they say, is history.

Moving into other fashion accessories, but using the same successful formula, Hall was forced to move into larger quarters (2,300 square feet) then one year later into her present 6,000 square feet location which already is too small.

She attributes a number of things to her success.

"First, we have something for everyone and which is affordable to everyone. I have also learned over the years that color is extremely important. Color will sell merchandise over design any day because it's an emotional response. People are attracted to color first.

"Then there's the packaging. Last year we changed the packaging and sales took off."

It's easy to see why. Hall designed the packaging that immediately and easily identifies her lines. For example, her scarves and necklaces are called Neck Art, her earrings, Ear Art, bracelets are Wrist Art. And the signature Jane Hall is prominent on all her lines.

"But the basis of everything," she says, "is that it's handpainted."

Fabric is used in almost everything Hall makes except for a new line of handpainted necklaces which are carved out of balsam wood and which will retail for "about $150."

Pearls and rhinestones are featured on the necklaces as well as her pins and bracelets.

Rhinestones are so popular, says Hall, that "there's a world shortage of them. She says the ornate, the baroque, the more the better, is the look.

"It's the best time for fashion that I've seen in years.

"Everything's exciting. It's a great season to be daring and it's really fun."

Jane Hall's lines can be found at Eaton's, Simpson's, The Bay, Bowrings, Birks and gift shops across Canada.

Handpainted scarves and jewelry by Jane Hall makes ideal gifts for Chanukah.

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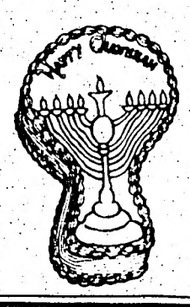

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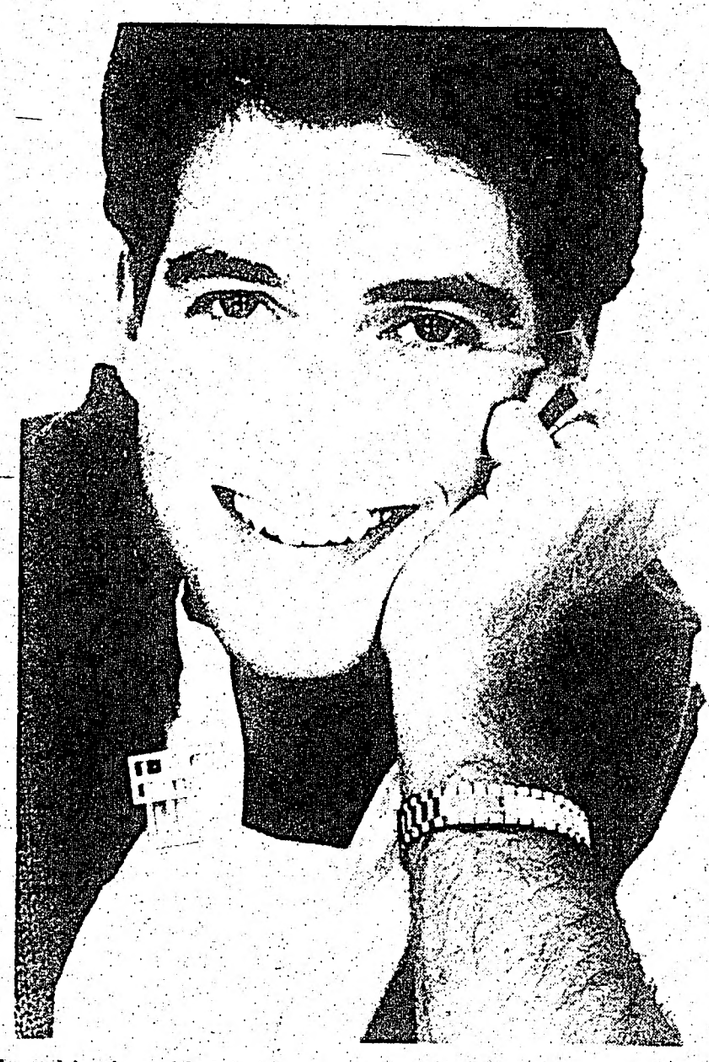

The elegant, polished look of the Sophisticated Woman (left) is reflected in the gold she chooses as well as in her fashions. She mixes necklaces in innumerable styles — links, bits and balls — and wears multi-dimensional earrings and sculptured feminine pins as her personal trademark. Shown here: 14K gold and mabe pearl earrings, 18K gold bow pin with stone accent, 14K gold circle link necklace, 14K gold beaded necklaces, 18K gold flat link bracelet and 18K gold four-pronged ring. Casual, trendy and a bit daring in his approach to fashion — the Modern Man chooses karat gold accessories with ultra-modern styling to add the right accent to his unstructured suits. The gold incorporates corrugated surfaces, geometric shapes and gold combined with colored stones and other materials such as rubber, titanium, stainless steel and leather. Shown here: 18K gold open graph pin, 18K gold watchband bracelet and 18K yellow and white gold signet ring.

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Jewelery patterned after the fanciful rococo style of the 1800s is vibrant with texture and surface interest. The Rococo Woman likes to look and feel romantic and selects jewelery with ornate details that emulate lace, brocade and flowers. Shown here: 22K gold fireflower earrings with pearl drops, 14K gold and amethyst pin and 18K yellow and pink gold chain.

Zappy store a mindboggler

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

The potential for buying a Japanese racing bike, a pair of designer socks, an Italian-designed pen, bedding and a chair in one store could make the mind boggle. That the merchandise is designed and manufactured under one label only adds to the fun.

It is exactly this mix of merchandise that makes ixi:z at 87 Yorkville Ave. such a compelling and fun store.

ixi:z, pronounced "ecksis" and representing the Roman numeral 20, is aimed at providing merchandise for the "20-year-old in all of us," says Marcy Goldhar, store manager.

She says that ixi:z, which opened in August, is the first store of its kind in Canada. There are 200 stores in the Orient and branches in New York and Los Angeles. ixi:z is a design and marketing concept that originated in Japan.

"The emphasis is on colorful, zappy style that is also practical; hence a collapsable suitcase, rubber covered writing portfolio, and rainbow-striped towels," Goldhar says.

She adds that everything in the store is European-designed and manufactured in Japan.

Goldhar says that "as far as wearables go" ixi:z carries a bright range of colorful goods including hats, scarves, pants, blazers, shirts and sweaters. "The basic shirt in 100% cotton comes in 10 different colors and costs only $40."

She claims that the crewneck sweater, which also comes in an array of colors, "is really flying out of here."

"All merchandise is reasonably priced from a roller ball pen for $3 to a nylon bomber jacket for $175," she points out.

"Mix and match watches are very popular," she says. "Customers choose their own strap to go with the watch face. Watch straps are bright and colorful while watch faces are bold, black and abstract."

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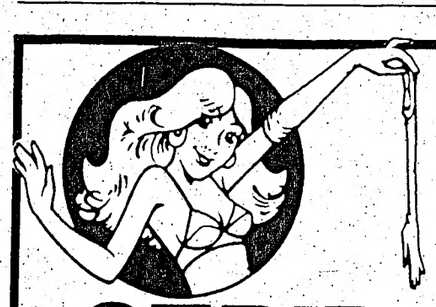
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Unique gifts a Bowring feature, manager says

By
LORI SMITH

Looking for something a little different as a Chanukah gift? A Rosenthal vase, maybe?

Try one of the several Bowring stores around Metro Toronto for the "unique" gift. According to Irene Gaboury, manager of Bowring in Sherway Gardens in The West Mall, "we've got gift ideas you won't see anywhere else."

The Rosenthal vase is at the top of her list, she says. Rosenthal, as is well known, is one of the premiere china companies in the world and Bowring shows a beautiful group in white. Tall or short, art deco or plain, these vases make a classic gift to be cherished for years. Gaboury adds that Rosenthal porcelain and crystal also make good gifts.

She says that Fitz and Floyd decorative accessories are popular. "They have hundreds of unusual pieces — from vases and shells to uniquely shaped covered candy dishes."

In terms of brass items she says that music stands, floor or table height, have sold well as gifts. But the most popular brass pieces are picture frames.

On the difficult subject of what to buy men for Chanukah she says liqueur shooters are popular as are cognac sets with glasses and a brandy warmer.

Two items that are rather unusual are a walking stick with a brass compass head and a musical brass sailboat.

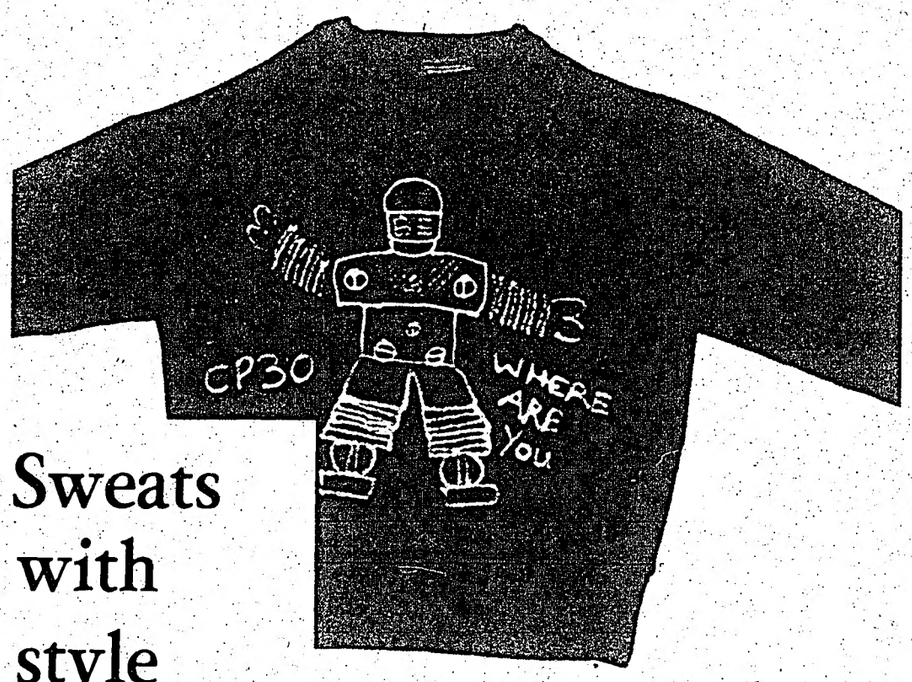
For women she suggests anything from the La Femme line of satin and lace sachets, lingerie bags and makeup bags. Similarly a woman might like a glass case or cosmetic bag in a colorful pattern from the Maggi B line.

In addition Bowring offers a number of gifts for the home that would be appreciated by men and women. Gaboury lists such items as ceramic and wood cannisters, Kosta Boda crystal, fondue sets, Coffee on Call thermos, placemats with matching napkins and ice buckets and decanters.

Finally Bowring has a number of gift ideas for children.

"We have Gund stuffed animals — teddy bears, cats and monkeys. And our most popular musical statues are the Beatrix Potter."

For smaller children there are silver-plated piggy banks in a number of shapes including a bootee and rocking horse. Other Bowring stores are located in Fairview Mall, Hillcrest Mall, Scarborough Town Centre, Toronto-Dominion Centre, Eaton Centre, Yonge-Eglinton Centre and Yorkdale Shopping Centre.



Handpainted sweatshirts and suits are all the rage at Artist & Partner Shirt Co.

Sweats with style

By
JEFF ROSEN

In todays fashion conscious world, sweatshirts and sweatsuits are no longer considered jogging gear. Instead, sweats are often considered an important part of the everyday wardrobe.

By taking the basic sweatshirt and adding to it, Joanne Steinberg and Andrea Marcus, co-owners of Artist & Partner Shirt Co., have created a delightful gift for the holiday season.

Steinberg says they recently began the business of selling hand painted sweatshirts and suits after carrying it on as a hobby for about a year.

While Steinberg handles the business end of the partnership, Marcus handpaints each sweat to order.

Steinberg says that Marcus, who is also a sculptress, can do sports designs, names, abstract patterns or any other design desired.

"It's a terrific gift," says Steinberg who wears the sweatshirts as part of her daily wardrobe. "I get excited when I see the shirts; it's a lot of fun wearing them."

Steinberg says they cater to all ages with prices running from $25 for children's sweatshirts and $45 for adults. Children's sweatsuits, sizes 2-6X, run from $45, youth $50 and adult $70.

Besides selling sweats, Steinberg says they are starting to get into preparing designs on items for babies, such as bottles and booties.

While the sweats are popular gifts year round, Steinberg says they are starting to get busy with Chanukah and Christmas rolling round and that there is a 1-week wait to get orders.

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Chanukah Gifts

Wide choice of menswear makes gift giving easier

By SAUL KORMAN

There are few truer adages than the one that runs " 'tis better to give than to receive" — and no better time to rediscover than at Chanukah.

But while the act of gift-giving is without doubt a joy, gift getting itself often proves a unique essay in frustration.

What to get, where to get it, how much will it cost, and how to cope with crowds of like-minded shoppers remain the set series of questions asked about each and every present.

I'm afraid I can't offer a single solution to this complex and yearly dilemma — all I can suggest is that you look to menswear for some possible answers.

Nearly every man on your gift-giving list could use something new in the way of clothes or accessories.

You might find yourself saving a lot of time and trouble, simply by starting your holiday shopping in one well-appointed menswear store.

Browsing through the racks and displays is bound to provide some inspiration — for instance, those leather gloves would be ideal for Uncle Harry, and that silk scarf just the thing for Jack.

Sons and daughters who want to go the traditional seasonal route will find silk ties in abundance, and mothers, anxious to see their sons well-dressed, might option a navy blue blazer or smart tweed sports coat.

But it is perhaps the wives who will find gift suggestions in the greatest range — because wives invariably believe their husbands should be better dressed.

And what more fitting time for them to subtly make that point than at Chanukah, through the loving presentation of a new suit of clothes, or an elegant grouping of accessories?

Then too, just as their husbands try to fulfill a few fantasies by making extravagant gifts of negligies and other decorative underpinnings, women use this opportunity to fulfill a few of their own romantic longings.

If a man's wife makes him a present of, say, a soft cashmere pullover, or a nubby-knit turtleneck, he should never accept it solely on face value.

Chances are, his wife gave him that sweater because she pictures him in it, on a cold winter's night, sitting beside her by a roaring fire — and she nestling in the crook of his arm, one soft cheek brushing against the sleeve's sensual texture.

Viewed in this light, a simple sweater can take on major erotic significance.

Occasionally, a wife will try to buy her husband one of those high fashion looks she sees abounding in glamorous magazines and glossy store advertisements. This, almost always, is a grave error.

For most men, in spite of surface appearances, have their own, very strong, ideas about what they will or will not wear. They also have a certain image to maintain in their sphere of business — one area where the rules for once are stricter for men than they are for women.

Then again, what might look absolutely smashing on a slim 20-year-old in a glitzy magazine ad might look totally ridiculous on a middle-aged man with accompanying mid-level spread.

No, if a woman is really interested in having her mate brought more up-to-date, the best present she can give is a gift certificate to that man's store, allowing her husband the final choice in the matter of dressing himself.

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10 notable works listed

There's plenty of excellent non-fiction to read

By BERNARD BASKIN

Last week I selected 10 notable works of Jewish fiction, published since last year's observance of Jewish Book Month. This week I offer my choice in the field of non-fiction.

1. DIASPORA by Howard Sachar, Harper and Row $27.50 (U.S.). This book is concerned with the close to 4 million Jews who live in Europe, Latin America, South Africa and far-flung parts of the globe. Deftly and masterly Howard Sachar brings to life communities as diverse as Sweden, France, Portugal and the Soviet Union.

This long, colorful and absorbing tour around the Jewish world — pre and post Holocaust — is an effective blend of information, commentary and personal journalism.

2. BACK TO THE SOURCES edited by Barry W. Holtz, Summit Books $29.95. Ten outstanding Jewish scholars write with affection, knowledge and commitment about the Bible, the Talmud and Midrash; medieval Jewish philosophy and Kabalah; the teaching of the chassidic masters; prayer and the prayer book. Only 50 pages, or so, are devoted to each of the topics, but a surprising amount of information, insight and learning are conveyed.

3. A CERTAIN PEOPLE by Charles Silberman, Summit Books $29.95. After six years of research, the author arrived at a number of surprising and positive conclusions about Jewish life in the United States. He believes that Jews are among the favored groups and that widespread quotas, restrictions and barriers against Jews have been almost entirely removed.

He maintains that Jews are not abandoning their faith and that there is a renewal of Jewish religious and cultural life. This is a challenging and controversial volume.

4.THE NEW JEWISH IDENTITY IN AMERICA by Stuart E. Rosenberg, Hippocrene Books $29.95. This study is a lucid, informed, thoughtful analysis of Jews and Judaism in America from the colonial period to the present. Rabbi Rosenberg deals with numerous and varied themes: the changing American character, Jewishness versus Judaism, the roots of anti-semitism, forms of modern Judaism, Canadian Jewry, problems and prospects for the future. He skilfully weaves a pattern of history, sociology and psychology.

5. COAT OF MANY COLOURS by Israel Shenker, Doubleday & Co. $26.95. This brilliant, witty and erudite examination of a wide range of Jewish themes and personalities provides informed commentary on such matters as the nature and influence of the Talmud, the vitality of the Responsa process in maintaining Jewish continuity, the place of women in tradition, the outlook and attitude of a number of well known Jewish writers and artists.

The author approaches his material with evident relish and affection. Judaism is a coat of many colors that he wears with pride and affirmation.

6. THE AMERICAN HOUSE OF SAUD by Steven Emerson, Franklin Watts of Canada $18.95 (U.S.). Sub-titled "The Secret Petrodollar Connection," this meticulously researched, eye-opening expose reveals how Saudi Arabia's immense wealth has led to manipulation, deception and bigotry at the highest levels of the United States government and the business community.

The author lifts the veil of secrecy from the activities of numerous individuals and groups who are fronting for the Saudis: legislators, educators, journalists, oil companies and well known corporations.

7. THE ABANDONMENT OF THE JEWS by David S. Wyman, Random House of Canada $26.50. In the face of the Nazi slaughter of European Jews, the American state department remained passive, callous and uncaring. Only a pitiful handful of the victims were allowed to enter the United States during the 3½ years of conflict with Germany. In the United States, as in Canada, severe immigration restrictions and unconscionable stalling and red tape by unsympathetic officials made any large-scale rescue of Jews impossible.

8. FROM TIME IMMEMORIAL by Joan Peters, Harper and Row $24.95 (U.S.). The author, a non-Jewish journalist, shows conclusively that Jews did not displace Israeli Arabs, but that most Arabs came into the country after Jewish settlement. Most of the Arab legal and moral arguments are a fraud. This is an important eye-opening book.

9. THE REST OF US, The Rise of America's Eastern European Jews by Steven Birmingham, Little, Brown & Co. $19.90. Between 1880 and 1920 about 2 million Jews flocked from Poland and Russia to American shores. Overwhelmingly, they were poor, Yiddish-speaking, religiously observant, hard-working, family-oriented and with a thirst for learning. Many of them suffered penury and privation, but lived to see their children and grandchildren occupy positions of respect, honour and affluence.

The upward mobility over three generations is unparalleled in American history.

10. THE JEWS OF HOPE by Martin Gilbert, Viking $15.95 (U.S.). An account of the plight of Soviet Jews. Attention is paid to the prominent Resfuseniks as well as to the average would-be immigrant and his trials and hardships. This is a many-sided valuable analysis.

Health makes a great gift

Chanukah is the season for giving, and "what better gift than the gift of health and fitness?" says Marilyn Seligman, public relations director of the Jewish Community Centre.

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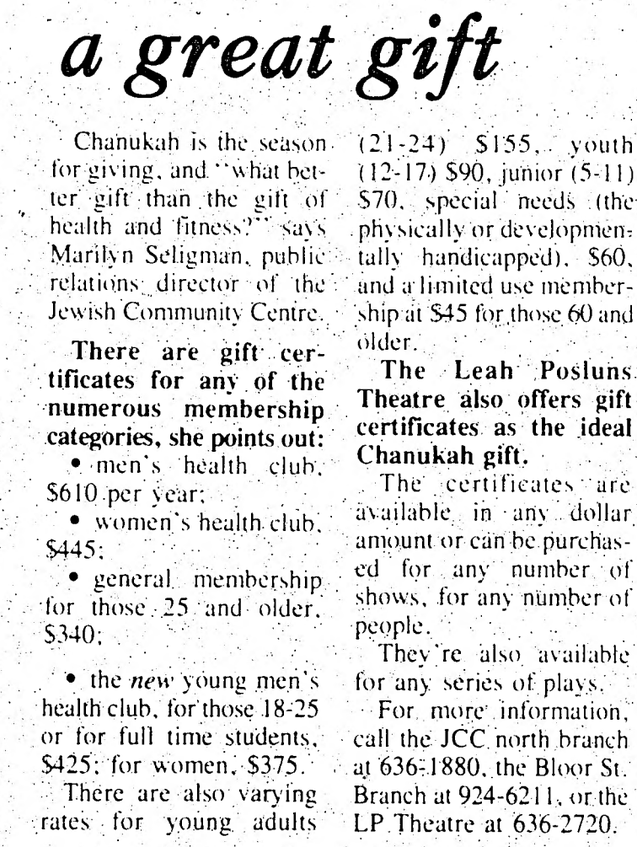
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By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

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Gordon Korman's latest novel, *Don't Care High (Scholastic)* maintains the standards to which we are accustomed. In other words, this is a good yarn, revolving around the efforts of Paul Abrams and his friend, Sheldon, to arouse an apathetic student body in New York City. Don't Care High" starts rather slowly, but builds a head of steam soon enough. Korman's humor, his trademark, is apparent throughout the book.

The Wimp (Collier MacMillan) can be read in conjunction with Don't Care High, since it, too, turns on antics in a high school. John Ibbitson's novel, which a reader between the ages of 7 and 10 will probably like, is about the lengths to which two boys will go to win the affection of a girl.

Maurice Sendak is familiar to a generation of children who find pleasure in children's literature. His illustrations have graced numerous such books and his reputation as a craftsman has correspondingly grown.

You can imagine the infinite pride he invested in illustrating *In Grandpa's House (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $12.95)*, a story by his late father, Philip.

In Grandpa's House, Philip Sendak distills the experiences of a boy growing up in a Polish shtetl and making a new life for himself in America. But this is also a tale within a tale... about a lad in search of his parents.

Sendak's spare style works well, and the drawings by his son are appealing.

Steve Senn's *In The Castle Of The Bear (Collier Macmillan, $17.95)* is haunting.

Jason suspects that his new stepmother, Lauren, is a witch. What ensues in the following pages makes for riveting reading. This is one book that a juvenile reader will not easily put down or forget.

John McNamara's *Model Behavior (Delacorte Press, no price listed)* is a romp into puppy love. Dave Callahan is agitated because Jacqueline Fox, his teenage idol, is coming to town. Things go wrong and she is kidnapped. Then Dave meets Ella Sander, a new girl at school. Romance buds, and need we say more?

The following books, for readers between the ages of 3 to 8, brim over with an infectious native charm.

I Made A Mistake (Collier Macmillan, $17.95) is Miriam Nerlove's account of a little girl who stumbles into a series of jaunty adventures.

The Mitten (Scholastic, $2.50) summons up quaint images of cold, snow-laden northern forests and wise, amiable animals. Author Alvin Tresselt certainly has a way with words. Illustrations by Yaroslava complete the Slavic ambience he has created.

In *Tell Me A Story (Scholastic, $2.95)*, Lore Segal writes of a child's amusing adventures in a big city. Harriet Pincus' sharply-focused illustrations are so good they remind you of your own childhood reading days.

365 Games to make and play (Doubleday, $13.98) is no story per se, but diverting nevertheless. Simply, it tells a reader how to be imaginative with things like matches, corks, clothes pegs and ping pongs. You'd be surprised what a little imagination can accomplish.

My Buddy dolls designed for boys

By
RON CSILLAG

Looking for a Chanukah gift for a little boy but tired of all those war games, toy rifles and mean-looking plastic soldiers?

Consider something different: a doll for boys.

My Buddy, by Hasbro Industries, isn't a small, dress-up doll. It's nearly 2 feet tall, soft, yet sturdy for rough-and-tumble pre-schoolers (aged 1½ to 6) and colorfully dressed in overalls, T-shirt, a baseball cap and sneakers. Freckles, big blue eyes and tousled hair round out a friendly face.

Some people may still balk at buying a doll for a boy, but according to one of My Buddy's developers, child psychologist Dr. Leo Lazar of the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry, a doll for young boys is an idea whose time has come.

"Girls always develop faster than boys and dolls elicit more language skills in children than any other toy," Lazar told The CJN. "This doll may encourage boys to develop greater communications skills."

Lazar adds that a doll this size can also double as a security blanket. "And it's huggable."

But mainly, he stresses My Buddy is a breakthrough in traditional role barriers, where girls play with dolls and boys with soldiers.

Breaking through traditional barriers, Hasbro Industries (Canada) has designed My Buddy, a doll created specifically for pre-school boys. My Buddy provides little boys with the means to practice language and interpersonal skills at an early age.

However, Lazar notes there's nothing in the makeup of small children that propels them to play with certain toys.

"Play isn't only fun," he adds. "It's a necessary developmental task. It allows kids to practice language.

"Often, you hear little girls telling their dolls, 'Sit up straight,' or 'How many times have I told you that?' Dolls encourage kids to interact and talk, and the future belongs to those with highly developed interpersonal and language skills," Lazar says.

He believes, as the experts do, that little boys deserve the same chance to learn to communicate early in life as little girls do. Until now, Lazar adds, only girls have had the advantage of playing with dolls and that could be one reason why women have a greater facility with language than men. "Perhaps if little boys were given a head start, we could correct that."

While My Buddy is designed to be just that— a friend— it can also be used to take out frustrations. But not to worry— it can take it.

A doll for boys that doesn't have a military or outer-space motif is nothing new. Fisher-Price introduced the Joey doll a few years ago, but it was discontinued due to poor sales. Hasbro is hoping times have changed sufficiently.

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Coffee captures the senses

By DAVID PIERSON

Colombian. Hawaiian Kona. Tiger Tail.

No, these aren't exotic drugs but some of the finest coffees you can drink — all to be found at The Second Cup store at the York Mills shopping centre at Bayview.

And if you know a coffee lover and are stuck for a Chanukah gift you may find the ideal solution at the The Second Cup.

The Second Cup sells coffee accessories. Everything from the coffee beans to the grinder to melitas to mugs are available.

It may be the perfect gift as there's nothing like a well-brewed cup for a coffee lover and Marni Philbrook, propietor of The Second Cup, will tell you that you can't a find a better one than at The Second Cup.

"We use the finest Colombian coffee beans which are freshly roasted each week and then ground only when ready to be brewed."

Philbrook says coffee is like wine in that there is no specific cup of coffee as everyone has his or her particular favorite.

"We've got over 30 brands at The Second Cup, with 10 pots on brew at all times and a wide selection available for anyone who wants to mix his own favorite blends," she said.

A coffee connoisseur can savor Kona coffee from Hawaii, or sip Royal Blend a mixture of half Colombian, ¼ mocha and ¼ java.

If you want something a little offbeat try Tiger Tail, a mixture of orange brandy and Dutch chocolate.

Like coffee strong enough to put hair on your chest? Try the Continental which Philbrook terms, "really strong."

And when you've slurped your last drop you can choose whatever you liked best and take it home with you. Or maybe you know someone who would love a taste of Tiger Tail. In which case you can buy a gift basket that runs from $5 and up.

Like the old ad used to say, "Man, that's coffee!"

Five Potters invite public to open house

Toronto's Five Potters are having an open house at their studio, 131A Pears Ave. on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This is an annual event to help you with your gift shopping.

Bailey Leslie, Marion Lewis, Mayto Markson, Dorothy Midanik and Annette Zakuto are among Ontario's best known and accomplished potters. Their work has been represented in exhibitions and private collections across Canada, in the United States, Europe and Japan.

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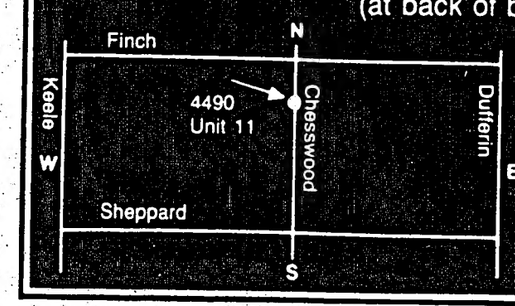

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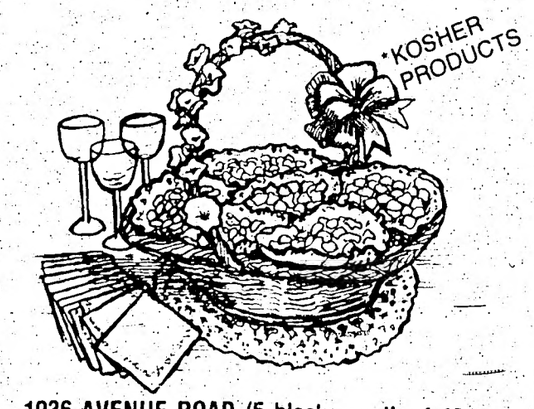

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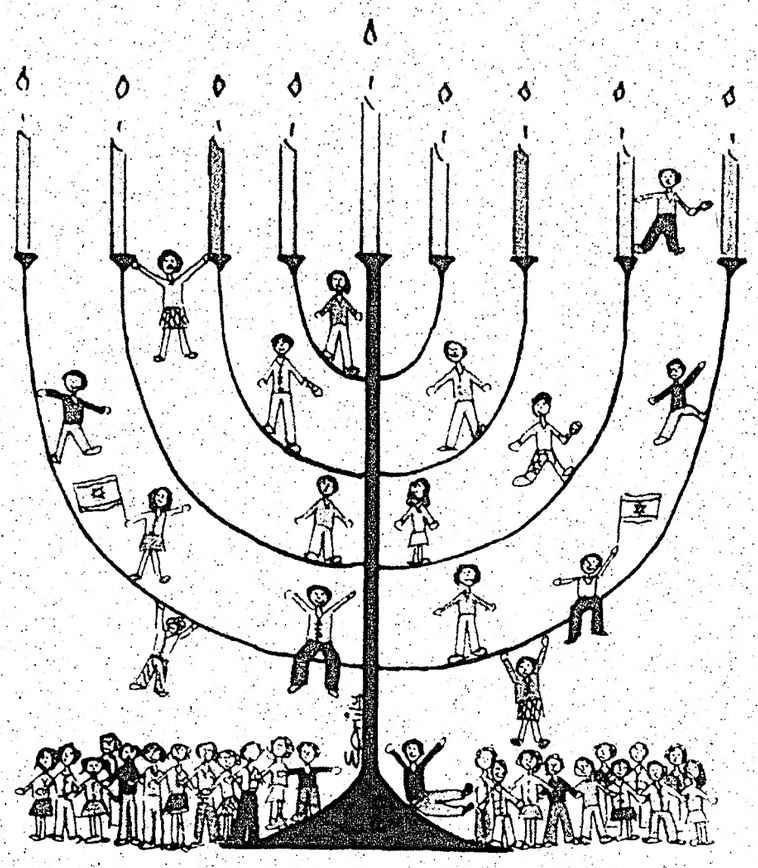

Cards are available in the book stores to make the giving of Chanukah gelt easy. This card has slots inside for several dimes.

Giving coins goes back 2,000 years

By JEFF ROSEN

While many may view Chanukah "gelt" as simply a gift to youngsters, the tradition of giving coins on the Festival of Lights goes back over 2,000 years in Jewish history.

The giving of coins to youngsters began around 220 BCE in the days of the Syrian conquest of what was then Palestine. At the time the Syrians prohibited the study of Torah and forced Jews to study their heritage in caves and other secret locations.

"The same thing is going on with Soviet Jews today," commented Rabbi Moshe Stern.

Stern said that as soon as the children would hear the Syrian authorities approach they would hide their books and take out coins to play games which they had prepared in advance. He added that this is how the origin of playing with the dreidel began.

Stern said that giving gelt today is a spiritual reminder of what our ancestors had to go through to study their heritage and is a commemmoration of Mesirate Nefesh, or risking one's life for what one believes in.

"It is a reminder of the willingness of the children to risk their lives to perpetuate the Jewish heritage," said Stern.

For those looking to give a set of coins as a Chanukah gift, uncirculated Israeli coin sets are available in various denominations, according to the Israel Trade Mission. The sets are encased in plastic and range in price from $4 to $10. A pure silver Chanukah coin with a picture of a menorah on one side is also available for $18.

For information on obtaining the Israeli coin sets call (514) 687-0632 or write to Judaica Sales Reg., PO Box 276, Youville Station, Montreal.

Mount Sinai cookbook called a gem of a find

The Good Table, a cookbook produced last year by the auxiliary of Toronto's Mount Sinai Hospital to raise funds for medical research, is the gem of a find for that special holiday gift.

It's an eye-catching, easily readable recipe book with large plastic binding which allows every page to open flat. There are 250 carefully tested recipes and caloric counts are included with all of them.

While the book is full of traditional favorites such as basic chicken stock, honey cake and more, we are encouraged to try easy gourmet recipes such as spring soup with grapes and avocado, salmon steaks in champagne, asparagus in raspberry vinaigrette, and that holiday favorite brie en croute.

Instant make-aheads include kiwi lime sorbet — suitable for low fat, low cholesterol, low sodium diets, and a good source of Vitamin E, which is made with only five ingredients, pureed in a blender or food processor and tucked away in the freezer until that special moment at an elegant dinner.

Other interesting features include a chapter devoted to Toronto's caterers whose innovative and diverse menus are bound to delight.

While menu planning is an added bonus to any recipe book, you can count on being praised when you serve a great "birthday bash for teenagers" or a very easily prepared-ahead light and elegant "meeting luncheon" menu.

The Good Table is a Canadian best seller at $15.95. You can find it at such well known Toronto outlets as the General Store at Hazelton Lanes, The Cookbook Store, Dinah's Cupboard, Nortown Meats and Foods, Nicola's, The Gift Cellar, The Nutcracker Suite among many, and the Mount Sinai Hospital Gift Shop. Or call the Mount Sinai Hospital auxiliary at 586-8290.

Surprise - It's a stripper!

By DAVID PIERSON

You're extremely happy with the pretty, coquettish girl you've just hired to be your office secretary.

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"We don't use strippers. A lot of our people are actresses or students who just want to make a little extra cash," Wales said.

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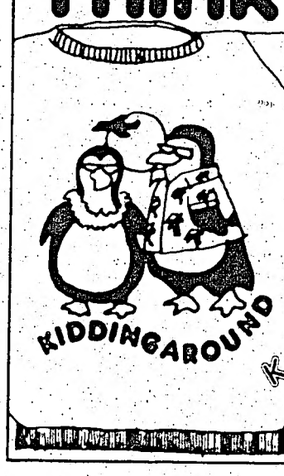

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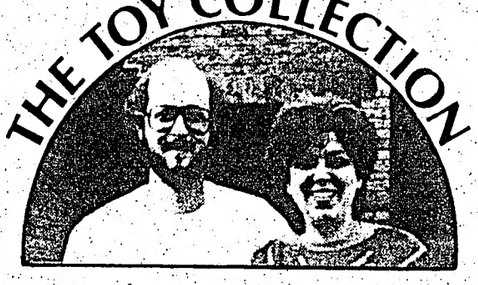

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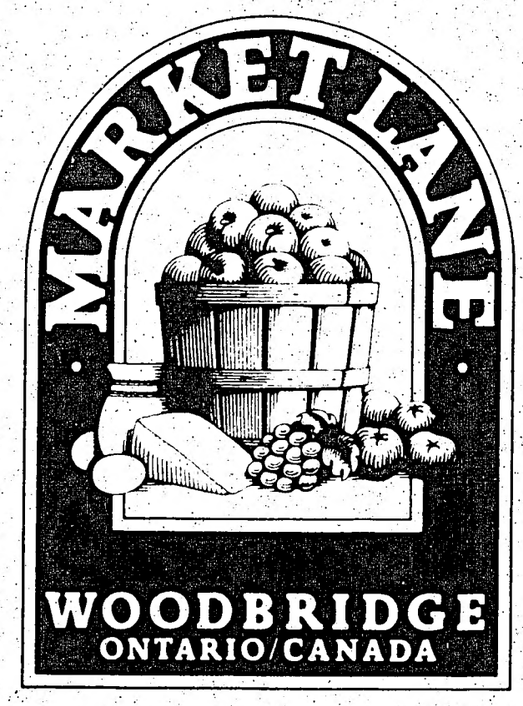

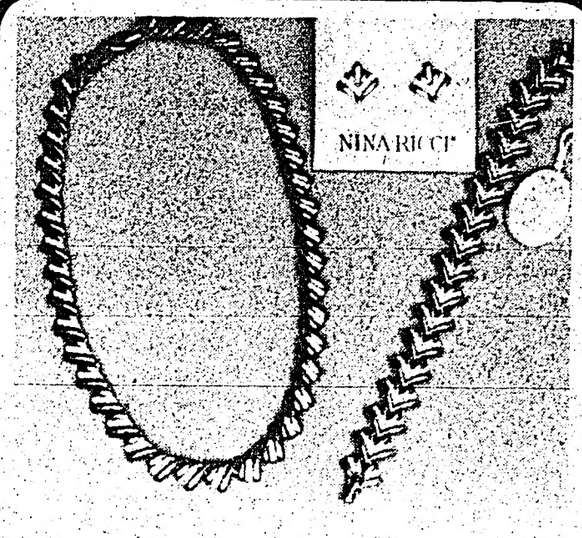

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Organizations and People

Outgoing Steeles-College president

Funeral home honors Mend

TORONTO —

Steeles-College Memorial Chapel held a testimonial dinner recently in honor of the man who guided the funeral home as its president for seven years.

Albert Mend, described as a dedicated community worker by the new vice president of the chapel, Emanuel Don, was the honoree of the dinner held at Adath Sholom Congregation.

About 300 people including many community leaders and delegates from organizations affiliated with Steeles-College attended the celebration.

Among the rabbis present, several made presentations to Mend, 79, and his wife Elsie.

Rabbi Joseph Kelman, the main guest speaker, gave Mend a plaque commemorating his period as president. Rabbi Moshe Stern presented him with a photographic portrait.

Rabbi Henry Hoschander announced that $15,000 in Israeli Bonds will be given to various community organizations in the name of Mend; and Rabbi Irwin Witty, said that an annual scholarship (for the next 10 years) in honor of Mend will be given to a student in Israel to pursue higher education.

Mend's wife Elsie was not forgotten in the festivities. Secretary-treasurer of Steeles-College, Mike Rogow, presented her with a bouquet of bright red roses.

For entertainment, Cantors David Bagley, Louis Danto and Martin Rosenblum all performed to the accompaniment of Kay Goizman on piano.

Mend, in addition to his duties at Steeles-College, is past president of the Toronto Independent Benevolent Association, a member of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue and has been responsible for its Israel Bond drive. Elsie Mend is a member of Na'amat Pioneer Women.

Mend is succeeded as president by Harvey Lister. Lister, a jeweler by trade, has been vice president of Steeles-College for seven years. Prior to that he was a delegate to the chapel for about a dozen years. The two new vice presidents are Emanuel Don, and Henry Donsky.

Steeles-College Memorial Chapel is a public, Jewish funeral home. It is operated by volunteers with all profits going to the Jewish community, Israel, and non—Jewish charities.

Jewish organizations are represented in the chapel by two delegates for every 100 of their members. The constitution has recently been amended to allow the president to serve a maximum of two terms of two years, Don says.

Elsie and Albert Mend

Submission on Bill 30 presented by CHRA

TORONTO —

A story in the Oct. 17 issue of The Canadian Jewish News reporting on the presentation of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region to the Ontario Court of Appeals hearing on Bill 30 also referred to a submission by Helen Smolack, chairman of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association.

The bill extends full public funding to all grades of the Catholic separate school system.

Ontario Attorney General Ian Scott immediately asked for a court reference to determine if provisions of the bill conflict with the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

The CJN report implied that Smolack made a presentation as an individual. She was, in fact, appearing as the representative of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association.

Her presentation was cut short by Mr. Justice Sydney Robins, a member of the 5-judge panel, when the brief raised the argument that the content of religious instruction in separate schools violates Charter prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of religion.

Smolack has sent a copy of the CHRA brief to The CJN.

In the portion heard by the court, the association argued that a publicly funded educational system in a multicultural society must follow Charter guidelines "to provide a learning environment where every student, regardless of religious and/or ethnic background can be accepted, can feel equal, and is not subjected to any form of discrimination."

The CHRA believes, said the brief, that the only system which meets this criterion is the public school system; and therefore is the only system that should receive full funding.

However, the CHRA argued, denominational schools should receive public funds for the secular portion of their curriculum, "excluding the religious studies portion, which may be privately funded by those who wish such instruction for their children."

Bill 30 is discriminatory because it would provide full funding for only one denomination, the brief said.

Over 200 expected to ski for Haifa U

TORONTO —

More than 200 men are expected to participate in the annual Ski Day on behalf of Haifa University, says Candian Friends.

Toronto chapter chairman and acting national president Michael Davis.

"The Day" is Jan. 24 at the Alpine Ski Club, Craigleith," he said, "and is a men-only event."

Davis noted that a donation to the university's Chancellor's Development fund is included in the $150 ticket price. The ticket also covers round-trip bus transportation from Toronto, breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as wine, beer and cheese "apres ski," a tow ticket and a chance at valuable raffle prizes.

Ski equipment can also be rented near the Alpine Club, said Davis. Tickets are available from the Canadian Friends of Haifa University office by phoning 665-4462.

Correction on rabbi

TORONTO —

In the article "Beth David's Scheim says he'll follow mentor's path" in the Nov. 14 issue of The CJN it stated that Rabbi Albert Pappenheim served as spiritual leader of Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am for 18 years. Pappenheim, who died January 1984, actually served the North York congregation 28 years.

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An important message to fellow Jews

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With the hope of illuminating this issue, presented here are the insights of two classic Torah authorities, of the 12th and 18th centuries respectively, concerning the vital role of prayer in hastening the coming of Moshiach.

Rabbi David Kimchi (known as the 'Radak'), in his commentary on the Book of Samuel II (ch. 24) discusses the reason for the sudden plague that befell the Jewish people during the reign of King David. He explains, quoting the Talmud, that they had failed to **plead for** and **demand** that the Holy Temple be built in **their** time.

The Radak goes on to emphasize the responsibility of Jews in his and subsequent generations to demand the reconstruction of the Holy Temple. He points out that if those Jews who lived before the Temple was built were found wanting for failing to demand its construction, how much greater then is **our** duty. We, who know of the Temple's past glory, must **all the more so** pray and demand of G-d that it be rebuilt **in our day.**

In a similar vein the renowned philosopher and kabbalist, Rabbi Chaim Yosef David Azulai (the 'Chida') clarifies the wording of the following prayer which we recite three times daily:

"May You hasten the coming of David's offspring (Moshiach)... **because** we hope in Your salvation throughout the day."

Quoting the 'Midrash', the Chida explains the text to mean: Even if we may lack sufficient merit, the **hope** for Moshiach is in **itself enough reason** for G-d to send the Redemption.

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Enhancing quality of life in city

Bnei-Brak's mayor seeks funds for city projects

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Dressed in his long, dark, flowing coat and wide-brimmed hat, Moshe Irnstein looks more like a rabbi than a successful politician.

But Irnstein is a remarkably successful politician. He heads one of the most unique governments in Israel today — the municipal coalition government of Bnei-Brak.

What makes that city government special is that the "wall to wall coalition" encompasses every political party in Bnei-Brak — from Labor to Likud to the National Religious Party to Agudat Israel.

And while there are no shortages of issues to disagree upon, all are agreed and give full support to Irnstein's international fund raising campaign aimed at enhancing the quality of life for the city's 110,000 inhabitants.

Moshe Irnstein

Irnstein was in Toronto recently, as part of a 2-week visit which included stops in Montreal and New York, to raise funds for badly needed community projects in Bnei-Brak.

Since being elected mayor two years ago, Irnstein has made developing and beautifying the city of 110,000 a top priority. But when the national unity government announced its austerity program last year, government assistance to the city was cut back, putting a strain on the municipal coffers, he said.

Irnstein said the city can't be put on hold until the national economic situation improves. Bnei-Brak is growing too fast and its needs are keeping pace with that breakneck growth.

Bnei-Brak suffers from unique problems, the gray-haired mayor told The CJN. Fully 45% of the predominantly Orthodox population of the city consists of children under 20, he said, with an average of eight children per family.

That translates into a reduced tax base, since large families are given special tax breaks.

And Bnei-Brak, located between Ramat Gan and Petach Tikvah in the densely populated coastal plain, has one of the largest birth rates among Jewish communities anywhere in the world, Irnstein said.

That puts tremendous strains on the city's recreational, rehabilitation and training centres. And there is a strain on the mothers who sometimes have a dozen children to care for, he added.

So, one of the top priorities for the city administration articulated by Irnstein is to provide nursery schools and day care facilities for the growing number of children under age 5.

A second of four major goals set by the administration is advancing projects for the creation of parks and playgrounds, he said. Noting that with an average of nine families living in a typical apartment building (that translates into about 45 kids per building) the children need green, open spaces in which to play.

A third civic priority is establishing day-care centres for handicapped children, he said, adding that coping with disabled children is especially difficult for mothers who have seven or eight other children to deal with.

A fourth goal of the administration is the construction of mikvehs, which in Bnei-Brak double as bath houses for daily washing. Again, the needs of large families put a strain on water capacities in apartments, and currently many people, young and old, use mikvehs for washing.

Despite the problems of overcrowding and a booming population growth, Irnstein, speaking in Hebrew, proudly pointed to the good character of the residents of Bnei-Brak, noting the city received a prize from the national government for having the lowest crime rate in Israel.

Irnstein already has a "master plan" for 100 public parks, gardens and playgrounds for Bnei-Brak, as well as community centres, a child development centre, a training centre for handicapped children, a geriatric facility and a mental health centre.

The first stage of construction for those improvements will cost $1 million, Irnstein said, but that's just the beginning.

So, with the city unable to meet the costs, Irnstein is looking for financial support from Jewish communities abroad. Other trips will take him to Chicago and to European centres as well.

He notes that individuals, organizations such as landsmanshaften, or foundations interested in participating in a particular project can request it carry their name.

Work is under way to ensure donations will be tax deductible, he added, and receipts will be issued by the Bnei-Brak Development Fund.

For further information, representatives in Canada for the BBDF are E. Goldwasser, 150 Delhi Ave., Downsview, M3H 1A6, phone (416) 638-4556 and Murray Laiman, 7 Dorchester Dr., Downsview, M3H 3J2.

Yeshiva's dean to visit Toronto

TORONTO —
Rabbi Yitzchak Feigenbaum, dean of students of Yeshivat Darche Noam/David Shapell College and Midreshet Rachel/College for women will be in Toronto until Dec. 3.

Feigenbaum, dean of this advanced institute of Jewish studies in Jerusalem, will speak at a reception in his honor Dec. 1 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Feintuch. Mr. Feintuch is an alumnus of Darche Noam.

The visiting scholar will also be interviewing prospective students for the coming academic year. Darche Noam is geared to mature, serious students interested in increasing their knowledge of their Jewish heritage.

What began with only the three rabbis and their two students in one room has grown today to more than 50 students in six levels of classes and a staff of more than 30. Midreshet Rachel, the woman's institution, has another 15 students after only four months of operation.

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Organizations and People

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Clinic gives help to female victims of violence

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
It is unfortunate that a clinic such as the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic needs to exist. It is fortunate, however, that a woman has a place to turn when she has become a victim of violence.

The clinic which was officialy opened recently by Ontario Premier David Peterson and Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton is at 188 Dupont St. and is named for Barbra Schlifer, a young lawyer who was brutally raped and murdered on April 11, 1980, hours after being called to the Ontario bar.

Jane Silver, staff lawyer at the clinic says that this type of project had been a dream of Schlifer's before she died.

She says that the clinic, which offers a comprehensive service to female victims of violence is the first of its kind in Canada. On staff is also a social worker, a client advocate and an intake worker, all of whom provide help for women who have been beaten, sexually assaulted or harassed or are victims of incest.

"We are trying to be a 1-stop place for women who need all kinds of different help," Silver says. She added that having to go to one place for a social worker and another for a lawyer can become very exhausting. "We are trying to cut down running around," she says.

Silver, as staff lawyer acts as an out of court advocate for the client. "I show clients how to lay a criminal charge, teach them how the criminal process works and assist in trial preparation. If a woman wants to leave home I help her with her options," said Silver.

She noted that the clinic, which is free, offers up to 12 weeks of post-crisis counseling.

She stressed that it is not a 1-time place, but rather some place to come for continuing care. "Many victims feel a lingering sense of guilt as if what happened is their fault. Having to talk to who understands is a wonderful thing for them," she says.

Silver said that despite what many people think, domestic violence is not limited to poor people. "It is easy to shirk responsibility and say it only happens to the dregs of society but it is just not so," Silver says.

She added that "women from higher class families are not used to turning to agencies and are embarrassed. We are there to show them it will be all right," said Silver.

She noted that of the 109 women who have contacted the clinic since it opened its doors unofficially on Sept. 3, more than 50% were victims of beatings in their own homes. The next largest category were women who had been victims of incest.

"These problems transcend all religious and economic groups," said Silver.

Premier David Peterson, who cut the ribbon at the opening ceremony said that the clinic is a trendsetter, and he hopes similar facilities will open across the province. "It is a sad reality that victims frequently end up treated like the accused. The support and tenderness shown here elevates all of society," he said.

Peterson said the provincial government is giving the clinic $15,000.

Eggleton said the City of Toronto is prepared to give $1 for every female employee at City Hall. There are about 1,700 women working there.

The clinic is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Its phone number is 964-3855.

Hershoran is elected head of accountants in Toronto

Linda Hershoran

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Linda Hershoran has been elected president of the Toronto Chartered Accountants Association (TCAA) and one of her principal aims is to improve the lines of communication within her profession.

Hershoran, 35, a graduate of the University of Waterloo and the University of Toronto, qualified as a chartered accountant in 1980 after articling with her father's firm, William Eisenberg & Co. and Laventhol & Horwath. After graduation she worked for one year with a large financial institution before setting out on her own.

While a CA student, Hershoran was involved in the CA Student Association of Ontario as director of education for a few years.

Hershoran told The CJN in a recent interview that after graduating she was asked to sit on the board of the TCAA and, after moving through the ranks of the professional body, she became president in June.

The TCAA, representing 8,000 chartered accountants in public practice, in government, private industry and educational institutions in Metro Toronto is a district association of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario (ICAO).

Hershoran said the TCAA runs five discussion groups and one program each month which deals with problems CAs face. As well, it participates in community run programs sponsored by the ICAO such as the tax clinic held earlier this year in which 959 CA volunteers from Toronto took part.

Looking at her own profession, Hershoran said that firms are seeking good talent regardless of their sex. She said that graduating classes are now 40% women, as compared to when she graduated as a CA when she was one of two women in a class with 200 men.

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Organizations and People

Modai raises funds for Tel Hashomer Hospital

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The austerity budget adopted by Israel earlier this year has left Moshe Modai with mixed feelings.

On the one hand, as brother of finance minister Yitzhak Modai, he approves the tough economic measures introduced by the unity government.

But on the other hand, as deputy director of Tel Hashomer Hospital, the cutback in government funds means he now has to scramble just to make ends meet.

As a result, the personable, energetic executive makes fund raising visits abroad a part of his hectic schedule, and he was in Toronto recently to try to drum up financial and organizational support to help allay the pressing needs of Israel's largest medical facility.

Modai met with the 1-year-old Canadian Friends of Tel Hashomer Hospital in Toronto, which counts among its 20 active members political aides, professionals, business people and medical researchers and practitioners.

Modai also squeezed in a brief visit to Edmonton, where he tried to help launch a Western version of the group, and last year, he was in Montreal on a similar mission.

In an interview with The CJN, Modai expressed concern about the precarious financial position in which the hospital, also known as the Chaim Sheba Medical Centre, now finds itself.

The health care system in Israel "suffers considerably" as a result of a shortage of equipment, he told The CJN.

Hundreds of the hospital's 1,200 beds are still housed in 35-year-old Quonset huts (long, prefabricated shelters), from which patients must be transported 1½ km by ambulance to the main, new hospital, he said.

Construction designed to expand and upgrade the huge medical facility — "like a city by itself" — began in the early 1970s, but has proceeded "in fits and starts" depending on the availability of finances.

Following the Yom Kippur war in 1973, construction halted, but it was resumed again towards the end of 1979. Right now, work is about half completed, but the hospital still requires about $12 million (U.S.) to fill the coffers to cover proposed capital expenditures.

Modai pointed out that, in addition, funds from outside Israel are needed to help cover the medical facility's ongoing expenses, which total approximately $45 million (U.S.) per year. Only 90% of those cash flow needs are paid by government money, he noted, with donations making up the remaining 10%.

Funds raised abroad help defray "running expenses," pay off suppliers and are allocated to the purchase of much needed medical equipment and for construction, Modai said.

Mordechai Ben-Dat, special assistant to the Ontario minister of labor and a member of the Friends, pointed out funds raised in Canada are always targeted to specific projects or pieces of equipment.

Approximately $5,000 was raised at a recent special showing of the Precious Legacy display for 400 invited guests, said Dr. Gideon Koren, a pediatrics specialist from Tel Hashomer now in Toronto on a research fellowship at the Hospital for Sick Children.

The attractive aspect of the Friends' fund raising efforts, Koren added, is that almost all money raised in Canada goes to the hospital, since the organization here has little overhead to speak of.

Sitting on a 250 acre site almost midway between Tel Aviv and the Ben Gurion airport, Tel Hashomer has grown substantially since its early days in the late 1940s.

The hospital got its start in 1947, when the Jewish community in Palestine was fighting for its life. "At that time the problem was wounded soldiers and not enough hospitals," Modai stated, "so we took an old military camp abandoned by the British," and used it as a field hospital.

Tel Hashomer "was established as a temporary place at that time," he recalled, but after Israel's War of Independence, the country was swamped by thousands of new immigrants who needed medical care and a health care infrastructure. A permanent hospital was the result, catering to both civilians and defence forces personnel.

Today, Tel Hashomer is the largest hospital in Israel in terms of beds (1,200), size, and turnover in outpatient clinics (430,000/year).

In terms of medical departments, "you name it, we have it," Modai said.

The hospital boasts orthopedic and pediatric departments among others, has facilities for open heart surgery and maintains a famous rehabilitation centre for paraplegics and quadriplegics, Modai pointed out.

Because of its use as an army hospital, it has, out of necessity, developed into the national centre for treating army amputees and as the national centre for brain and spinal injuries, he added.

Tel Hashomer also performs research in genetics, leukemia, Hodgkins Disease.

Among its staff of 440 doctors (plus 1,200 nurses and a total staff of 3,000) is world reknown hematology expert Prof. Bracha Ramot, cardiology specialist Jan Kellerman, who, Modai pointed out, once acted as medical advisor to the government of Alberta.

In addition to his 3-day visit to Toronto, Modai visited Tel Hashomer "support groups" in New York and Los Angeles.

Anyone interested in becoming involved with the Canadian Friends of Tel Hashomer or making a donation can contact the Friends' office at 633-5646.

During a recent visit to Toronto, Dr. Moshe Modai (left) received a check for $5,000 from Phil Covshoff, treasurer of the Canadian Friends of Tel Hashomer Hospital.

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Experiments on cell normalization

Hebrew U scientist holds out hope on leukemia

TORONTO —

Leukemia cells can be transformed into almost normal cells by treatment with very small quantities of chemical agents, says Dr. Eitan Fibach, senior lecturer at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School in Jerusalem.

Future treatments with this technique could be far less destructive than chemotherapy or radiation, the current treatment for leukemia, said Fibach, who along with two Canadian associates recently completed a number of important preliminary experiments at the University of Toronto under the auspices of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University's Dr. Ralph Halbert Hematology Exchange Program.

Fibach's Toronto research partners were Dr. Michael Baker, chairman of the Oncology department at Toronto General Hospital and professor of medicine at the University of Toronto; and Dr. Armand Keating, director of both the inter-departmental division of Oncology and the Oncology research laboratory at Toronto Western Hospital, and associate professor of medicine at the University of Toronto.

The three scientists are hoping to better demonstrate how leukemia cells behave and what might control their growth.

Fibach and Baker studied changes in cell enzymes that occur in leukemia cells with maturation. With Keating, Fibach studied techniques for growing leukemia cells outside the human body, in a test tube.

"At the Hebrew University, we have a system where we can take leukemia cells and get them to undergo normal maturation," said Fibach, who added that his research has benefitted a great deal by his experiences here.

"The problem with the agents that cause cell normalization is that they don't work in all cases. So, of course, we are looking for the universal inducer that will do the trick in all cases.

"If we can grow the cells of leukemia patients in culture, we can learn a great deal about these cells, and about how to get them to undergo differentiation," he said, adding that the main purpose of his trip to Canada was to continue work on the joint experiments that began with Baker's trip to the Hebrew University last June.

He said he was satisfied with the outcome of his research here. "The purpose of this meeting was to institute a study, not finish it. We knew what we were going to do, what techniques we were going to use. We conducted preliminary experiments that turned out to be very successful."

Jack Hauer, president of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and the program's initiator, said he was very happy with the results.

"The program has been very successful so far, joint experiments have been established, and both universities are cooperating on this urgent matter," he said.

Woman judge discovers "life after motherhood"

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The old adage that a woman's place is in the home has only been slightly revised in modern times to a woman's place being *essentially* in the home, says Justice Beryl Levine of the Supreme Court of North Dakota.

The keynote speaker at the recent Women 85, Today's View, Winnipeg's 2nd annual Jewish women's conference sponsored by the YMHA, several synagogues and women's groups, former Winnipegger Levine tackled the "myth of motherhood," explaining how she came to leave the "maternal cloister."

"Growing up in 1940s and 50s Winnipeg," she said, "the message my sisters and I received from our parents was that education was important but that education alone was not sufficient. To find ultimate happiness, social status, economic security, the answer was marriage.

"It was a message reinforced by society as a whole. Self-esteem for a woman came through caring for her husband and children. Autonomy, self-sufficiency, economic independence were not in our lexicon."

Justice Beryl Levine

Levine married at 19, moved to the U.S., had five children and eventually settled in Fargo, ND. "I began feeling vaguely dissatisfied and I was feeling guilty about feeling dissatisfied because part of the myth is that, to be a good mother, you have to like being a mother," she said.

"Then, miraculously, Betty Friedan appeared with her book to tell me that my guilt was misplaced, that motherhood is just a stage of life, that there is life after motherhood."

At 35, Levine began to think about personal goals. She decided to enter law school, leaving her husband to "mother" the two younger children. After graduation from the University of North Dakota, she went into practice in Fargo.

"It was frightening, horrifying, and I often thought of the safe life I had left behind," she said, "but it was all worth it. It is essential to take risks in life." Last January, she became the first woman and the first Jew to be appointed to North Dakota's Supreme Court.

As she sees it, the myth is even tougher on today's women who are encouraged to enter society and pursue careers, be individuals, then cut short or limit their careers for motherhood.

"Motherhood can and should be recognized by society through more child care facilities and innovations such as split shifts and time sharing," said Levine. "It will be better for women, children and men."

Levine's speech was followed by a discussion on whether Judaism imposes a particular lifestyle on women. The panelists reflected the full range of Jewish options from Orthodox to Reform to secular humanism.

Science fair

TORONTO —

More than 300 students in grades 7 and 8 from Associated Hebrew Schools Junior High will be involved in producing projects for the school's annual science fair to be held 7.30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16 at 3630 Bathurst St. (at Neptune).

The focus is on a demonstration of scientific method, and there will be experimental projects on energy, conservation, conductivity, botany, polarization, magnetism, biology, sound light and heat, science chairman Joe Leibovitch has announced.

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The meeting is called in compliance with Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1980, Chapter 129, Section 263 of The Education Act, 1974.
The purpose of the meeting is to elect six French-speaking ratepayers to an Advisory Committee to the North York Board of Education which will also comprise members appointed by the Board.
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Une assemblée publique, ouverte aux contribuables francophones de la municipalité de North York, aura lieu le jeudi 5 décembre 1985, à 19:30 heures, au cafétorium de l'Ecole secondaire Etienne Brûlé, 300 chemin Banbury, North York.
Cette assemblée est convoquée selon la Loi de 1974 sur l'éducation, (The Education Act, 1974) Statuts de l'Ontario de 1974 amendés en décembre 1980, chapitre 129, section 263.
L'assemblée a pour but l'élection de six contribuables francophones de North York à un Comité consultatif de langue française du Conseil scolaire de North York.
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Organizations and People

Women's conference called positive by delegates

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — The United Nations End of Decade of Women Conference and Forum, though marred by anti-Israel disruptions, continued to advance the cause of women, three Canadian delegates to the meeting said recently.

Dorothy Reitman, member of the national executive committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, said although the conference was "hampered by politicization," its goals of equality, development and peace were promoted.

She told about 30 people attending a panel discussion at the Lipa Green Building the work of the Kenyan hosts, coupled with the commitment of Western spokespeople and Jewish women's groups, succeeded in deleting from the final conference document a clause equating Zionism with racism.

Helen Marr, a representative of the International Council of Jewish Women at Nairobi, told the panel despite the disruptions, she found the meetings, particularly a workshop sponsored by the National Council of Jewish Women, "constructive" and full of warm feelings.

Freda Paltiel, senior advisor for status of women, health and welfare department, said the deletion of the "Zionism is racism" resolution in the conference's final communique shows what effective and persistent lobbying can do.

She called the Forward Looking Strategies document a "manifesto for humanity" which sets out ways of ensuring equality for women.

The three women on the panel, sponsored by the international affairs committee of CJC, agreed the women's decade has given women "a voice" in discussing their needs and rights. Paltiel suggested CJC, both on its own and in conjunction with other groups, discuss the document and form responses to it.

Paltiel, who has written extensively on social issues, said the final resolution, which deleted specific mention of the Zionism equals racism resolution, shows how to exploit the "weakest links in (your) opponents' armor."

She noted that consensus on the resolution, something most delegations were working for, would have failed without the compromise eventually agreed upon.

By remaining firm on its principles and stating the Zionism is racism reference prevented Canada from endorsing the document as a whole, the Canadian delegation successfully promoted "the Kenyan solution," which substituted a reference to "all other forms of racism."

Paltiel, a member of the official Canadian government delegation, told the panel the UN is a "political forum you can't wish away."

She listed a number of "lessons of Nairobi" as guides to future participation in such conferences, including: coming prepared and participating in preparatory meetings of the planning committee; focussing on the strategies that look to the future; taking a leadership role (as the Canadian delegation did in Nairobi); know the players — "don't talk only to your friends"; and never give up.

Marr recounted the strategy of Jewish women (22 from Canada and 300 in all) to counter the disruptions and "lies" of Communist bloc and Palestinian women at workshops.

Despite the often acrimonious shouting matches that were a feature of many of the workshops, she termed one sponsored by NCJW as "very special."

It was at that workshop that Kenyan women discussed the changes wrought by a flour grinding mill, funded in part by NCJW.

Reitman added that the mill permitted the women to become financially independent and learn basic skills such as banking and bookkeeping.

"(The workshop) was constructive and was an excellent PR vehicle," Marr said.

The panel was introduced by Charles Zaionz, co-chairman of the international affairs committee of CJC.

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Organizations and People

Apple doesn't fall far from tree

Synagogue president fondly recalls family role

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Like father, like son, like grandson could be the theme of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation's President's Ball and Installation on Sunday evening, Dec. 8.

The synagogue's newly elected president Martin Sable and many of the officers are from three and four generation families that have been active in the synagogue.

Reflecting on his early memories of the synagogue, the 44-year-old president who is the managing partner in the law firm, Minden, Gross, Grafstein and Greenstein, says he recalls attending services almost four decades ago and sitting with his grandmother Hia Sable.

"Looking back, I guess I always enjoyed going to shul," he says.

In the Sable family, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. Martin's father Samuel J. Sable, a well-known communal worker, smiles as he explains how he became involved at Shaarei Shomayim, rose to the presidency in 1953, and went on to serve in many leadership positions in the community.

As Sam tells it, "I started taking Martin to services when he was 6 years old. It was a long walk from our house and I recall the first time I brought him with me, it was a very cold and windy day. When we arrived, I was informed that children that young were not allowed at services."

Sam says he was very angry. He went to the next general meeting to complain about the policy on children at services, and before he knew it, he had been nominated to the board of governors.

And to this day, Sam Sable has never stopped working for his shul and his community — in Jewish education, as president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund — the counterpart of the Canadian Jewish Congress, as a vice-president of the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, a director of the Mount Sinai Hospital and in almost every other segment of the community.

The proud father spoke of his son Martin's rise to the presidency of Shaarei Shomayim. "He attended Sunday school, became active in the youth group and served as chairman of a number of committees as he moved up to the top position at the shul. Martin has always worked hard and given of himself," says Sam.

"As a young boy, Martin would patiently wait for me after shul because there were always little meetings, and people wanted to discuss things with me. And now, I wait for him as he greets all the congregants and stops to talk with anyone who mails him."

It is really a family involvement, he adds. Martin and Gayle Sable's three boys, Jordan, 18, Jamie, 15, and Joshua, 13 are involved with the shul and all three of them have been in the choir, says the proud zayde.

Gayle Sable is the administrator of Pine Villa, a retirement home and as first lady, Martin says "She is a marvelous hostess."

In an interview with The CJN, Martin said that he was attracted to the synagogue "because there is a friendly involvement — and there is a family orientation that is important to me."

Shuls in pivotal positions

Martin believes that a synagogue should occupy a pivital position. "It gives us a sense of belonging."

And the youthful president of the largest Orthodox synagogue in Canada ads: "There is a tendency for some people to become involved in only one organization or shul excluding all others in the community. I don't agree with this."

For this reason, Martin Sable, like his father, serves in many organizations. He is the honorary counsel of the Toronto Jewish Congress, a member of the executive of the Canadian Jewish Congress, a board member at the Associated Hebrew Schools and the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto and the immediate past chairman of the board of Orah, a school for children of Russian Jewish immigrants.

Currently, he is the chairman of a committee at TJC which is studying the cultural services available in the community, and TJC's participation in them.

Martin Sable spoke of his senior officers and their family ties with Shaarei Shomayim spanning the generations. He noted that he is the oldest of the senior officers.

Physician Bernie Green, the immediate past president, began his shul career at the Tefillen Club and was responsible for the formation of the regional chapter of the National Council of Synagogue Youth. His father, Irving Green was elected as a member of the board in 1950 and he is still active as a committee chairman.

First vice-president, lawyer Harold Spring is from a 4-generation Shaarei Shomayim family. His grandfather Moses Spring was a founding member of the board and helped acquire the shul's first premises on Christie St., and his father Manny Spring was on the building committee for the shul's present Glencairn location.

Dentist, Mel Kay, the second vice-president, also began his involvement in his youth as a founding member of the Teffilen Club, following the example of his father Harry Kay, an active member of the congregation.

And chartered accountant, Paul Shapiro, the synagogue's secretary, is following his father Julie Shapiro's example. His father has long been the shul's bulletin editor and he is a past president of the Brotherhood.

"And our treasurer, Bill Weissglas," says Martin Sable, "moved here from Montreal. We are fortunate to have with us at our senior officers' meetings, Ken Lebow our parnass and Sam Rosen our gabai who gained their shul experience in other communities.

Rabbi Henry Hoschander, Shaarei Shomayim's spiritual leader, quotes from the introductory passage in Sidrah Toldot: "And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son; Abraham begot Isaac."

The rabbi explains that not only did Isaac revere his father — but Abraham likewise obtained a vast amount of naches from his son Isaac who "walked in his ways."

"Shaarei Shomayim is indeed blessed with its officers, many the sons of dedicated and active families who have served Shaarei Shomayim in numerous and variegated responsible positions. It augurs well for its present and foresees a goodly future," the rabbi said.

When Paul Zurin and his orchestra begin their freilach music at the President's Ball and the members of the congregation gather to celebrate the installation of their officers, the mood will be like a family simcha.

Three generations of involvement of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation are (left seated) newly elected president, Martin Sable, his father, a past president, Samuel J. Sable, and (standing from left) Martin's sons Jamie, Josh and Jordan Sable.

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Organizations and People

Dedicated to increasing awareness of mystery disease

Agar wins B'nai B'rith Woman of Year award

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Honey Agar, who has helped turn a misunderstood, often misdiagnosed and sometimes fatal disease into a well-known medical term, has received the 1985 Woman of the Year award from B'nai B'rith Women's Council of Toronto.

Agar, a victim of lupus, a mysterious disease for which there is no known cause or cure, has dedicated the past 10 years to helping other people, who like herself, have contracted the illness.

At the BBW Council of Toronto's 29th annual Covenant Breakfast held recently at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel, Bella Rolnick, Woman of the Year chairman told the audience of almost 300 that largely as a result of Agar's work to increase awareness about lupus, the death rate of the disease in Ontario has dropped from 50% 10 years ago to less than 5% today.

Rolnick explained that lupus affects over 50,000 Canadians and mainly strikes women between 15 and 40. Patients become victims of their own immune system, which turns on the body and attacks healthy cells, causing chronic fatigue and joint pain, to kidney failure, nervous system disorders and if left untreated, even death.

In a moving speech, Agar said that the treatment for lupus has not changed very much in the past few years. "It is just the diagnosis that has changed. Doctors are diagnosing lupus earlier so treatment can begin earlier," she said.

"Change only occurs when people push for change," Agar added.

Rolnick said that Agar contracted the disease in 1963 and was misdiagnosed for seven years until doctors discovered she had lupus. Although the disease is now in remission she still takes 10 pills a day and suffers from high blood pressure, stomach ulcers, a hypothyroid condition, pernicious anemia, a hernia and arthritis.

Rolnick said Agar was determined others "should not go through the same nightmare of misdiagnosis" and is dedicated to ensuring growing public awareness of the disease.

She founded and is past-president of the Ontario Lupus Association, an organization devoted to research and to professional and public education of lupus. Rolnick noted that there are eight branches of the association and 1,300 members in Ontario alone.

She added that "although she is in constant pain" Agar defends the rights of lupus patients, offers moral support and solves communication problems between doctors and patients."

Rolnick said Agar was awarded the Ontario Good Citizenship medal in June for her work on lupus awareness, counseling patients and raising funds for research on the disease.

Among others who offered their congratulations were Harry Bick, national president of B'nai B'rith Canada and Nancy Cooperberg, president BBW Canada.

Nursing courses at Tel Aviv U

NEW YORK —

Tel Aviv University will inaugurate the first nursing program in Israel designed exclusively for qualified overseas students next year with a 4-week summer session in 1986 and a spring semester in 1987, the university's office of academic affairs has announced.

Developed by the university's department of nursing in cooperation with the Overseas Student Program (OSP), the new offering is open to American and Canadian students currently enrolled in Bachelor's or Master's degree programs in nursing. Courses will be taught in English by members of the department faculty.

Both the summer session and spring semester will include an Advanced Clinical Practicum Seminar featuring individualized student projects. The spring semester will also offer courses in Community Care in Israel, Health Care Systems in Changing Societies, and Cross-Cultural Nursing. Independent study will be available to graduate students.

All nursing students will have the opportunity to take other OSP courses. Summer session attendees may chose one of several general courses: The Arab-Israeli Conflict, Modern Jewish History, The Holocaust and Film, and The Essence of Judaism.

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Information on admission, applications, registration, fees and scholarships may be obtained from the Office of Academic Affairs, American Friends of Tel Aviv University, 360 Lexington Ave., New York, NY 10017; (212) 687-5651.

Largest bequest ever

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

Lena Bauer, who came to Denver in 1938 as a penniless immigrant from Nazi Germany, has willed more than $1,250,000 to the Endowment Fund of Denver's Allied Jewish Federation. It is the largest bequest in the federation's history, the Intermountain Jewish News in Denver has reported.

Bauer, who died during the summer at age 84, and her late husband, Fred, came to Denver at the suggestion of the American Joint Distribution Committee so that Bauer could continue in the cattle business. He had been engaged in that business in Gan Koenigshoffen, Bavaria.

While helping her husband in his business as a cattle commission salesman, Bauer baked and sold challahs from her home. She would personally deliver challahs and cookies on her regular Friday route.

After her husband's death in 1971, Bauer operated his business for several years.

The IJN reported Bauer was always grateful for the opportunity the Joint Distribution Committee had given her to start anew in America. The JDC receives support from the Allied Jewish Federation.

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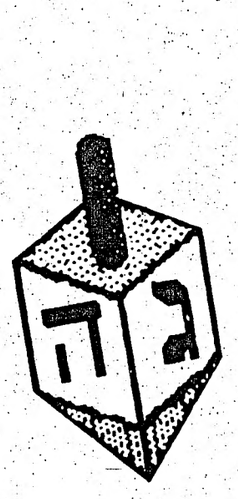

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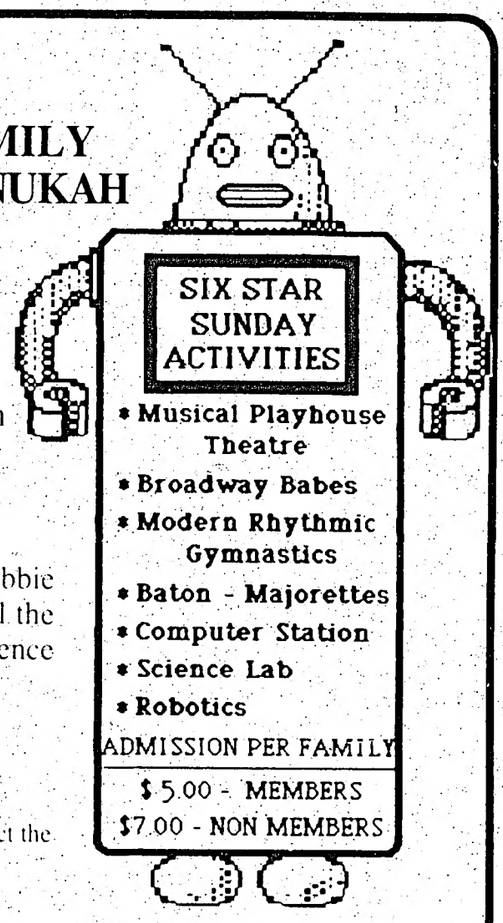

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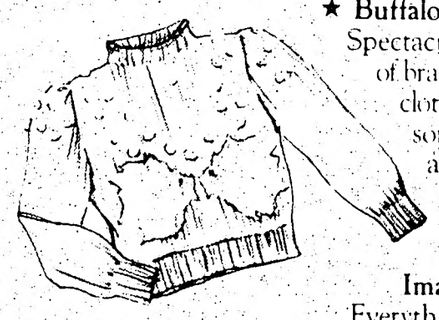

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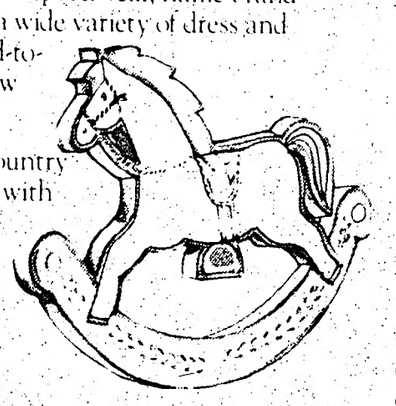

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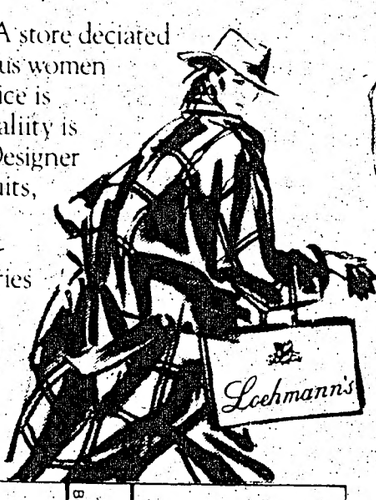

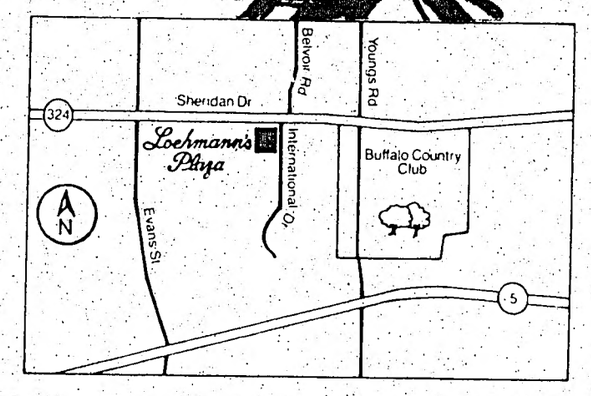

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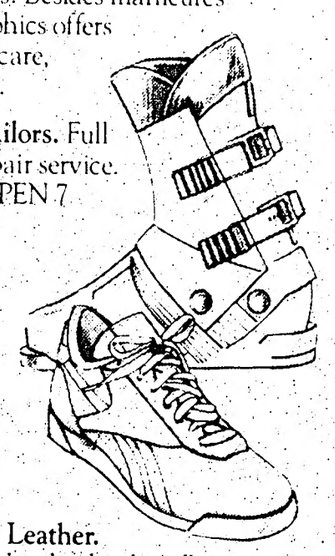

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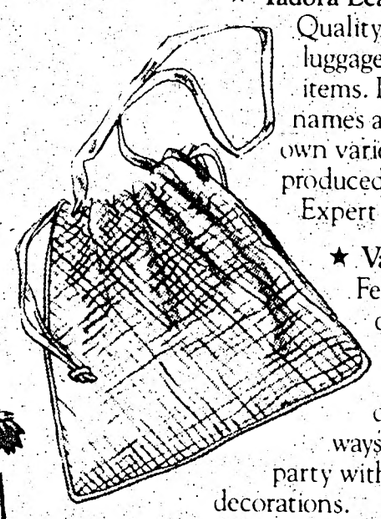

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Knowing skin type the key to proper care

By
DENISE BRUCE

What type of skin do you have? Does it tend to be oily, dry or, like most people, is it somewhat in the middle?

Knowing your skin type is essential to proper skin care and feeling good about the way you look.

Dry skin looks and feels thin, and it's finely textured.

It feels tight and drawn after washing or exposure to wind and sun.

There is a tendency for "crow's feet" and "smile lines" to be over accentuated and dry patches can occur on the cheeks and around the mouth.

Oily skin appears smooth and shiny and tans easily.

Oil on the surface of any skin keeps it lubricated and retains moisture, but with oily skin there is a greater tendency towards the outbreak of spots because of increased sebum production.

Normal skin is soft and supple but can still become dry on windy days or during the winter.

While normal skin is ideal, it is rare. In actual fact, many of us have combination skin that is oily in some places and normal or dry in others.

As a test to determine our skin type, remove all makeup and wash your face with a beauty bar, rinsing thoroughly.

Fifteen minutes after washing, press one layer of a facial tissue to the oiliest spots on your face — your forehead and nose.

If a spot appears on the tissue, your skin tends towards oiliness. If no spot shows, wait for an hour and try again.

Then, if a spot appears on your tissue, your skin has the normal amount of oil. But, if after two hours no spot shows, your skin tends to be dry.

Why is knowing your skin type important?

If your skin produces too much oil, it can clog pores, which may cause blemishes.

Regular and thorough cleansing can help avoid blackheads and blemishes.

But to supplement the loss of natural oils and moisture due to frequent washing, apply a beauty lotion such as Oil of Olay afterwards.

If, on the other hand, your skin does not produce enough oil, it will lack sufficient moisture and become dry and rough.

Cleansing should be done with a mild beauty bar and toning or freshening should be avoided.

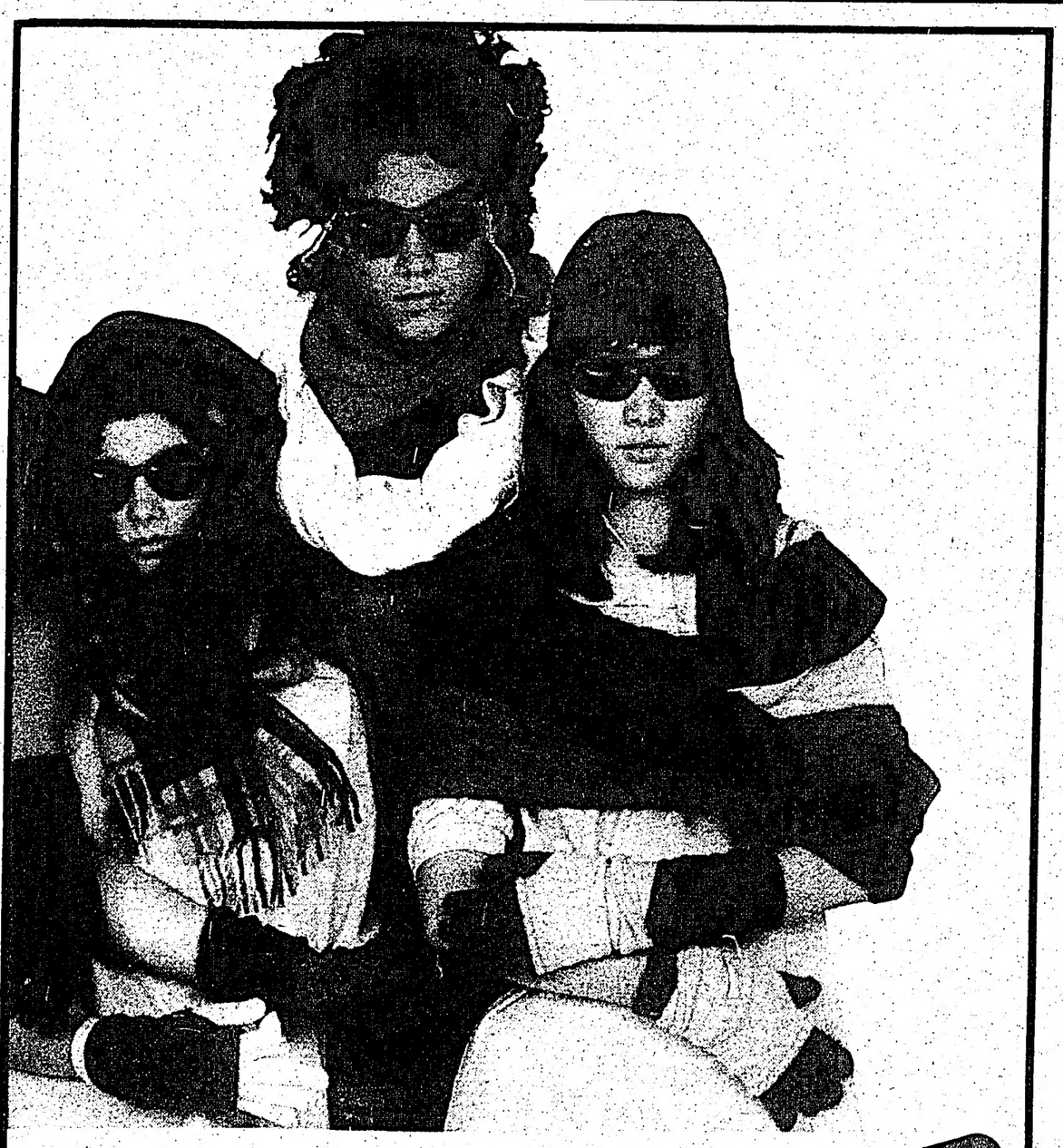
Again, a beauty lotion with a blend of oils and moisture similar to the skin's own natural fluids can give nature a helping hand in supplementing our skin's moisture.

If you have combination skin, an effective moisturizer can actually help balance the oil and moisture, helping to normalize the skin.

For instance, Oil of Olay can make the dry areas less dry and the oil areas less oily because it contains a combination of oils and emollients that is similar to the skin's own natural fluids.

Getting to know your skin type and learning to care for your complexion will help keep it looking its best.

(Denise Bruce is a Skin Care Consultant for Oil of Olay. For a free Skin Care Booklet, write to her at 2 Norelco Drive, Weston, Ontario, M9L 1R9.)



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Fashion

Glamorous, affordable

Gold makes a strong comeback in fashion

By
HILARY HORLOCK

It is perhaps the one inanimate object that can immediately excite all five of the human senses, merely at the mention of its name.

The eyes begin to glitter, the fingers tingle in expectation of its touch. Mouths have been known to salivate at its arrival and dry up like the Sahara at its loss.

Many an ear strains for the sound of it and there are those who swear they can smell it in the ground.

Gold — it is the true universal language of the world and it is making a strong re-emergence as the fashion accessory of choice.

It is no longer the exclusive trademark of the rich, however. Advances in design and technique have made gold more affordable than ever. Drop earrings with hollow backs and fine mesh gives the design bulk but not weight, keep the price low and the illusion real.

As an accessory, gold has a heritage of thousands of years of mystery and exclusivity which no advertising agency could create. To own gold is to own glamor. It is more than a possession, it is an "investment."

Designs on display at the recent Gold Information Centre show Gold: The Fashion Focus, held at L'Hotel, brought the metal's appeal more down to earth.

Grouped into four distinct styles, gold jewelry was artfully displayed to demonstrate it can suit any mood, from back packing casual to black tie elegance.

No "norm" in style

Fashion-conscious men and women are being encouraged to think of gold accessories as an integral part of their wardrobe — like a matching pair of shoes or accenting silk scarf.

Because designers have become more "free-wheeling" in their designs, gold is no longer restricted to after-5 wear.

As with all other areas of fashion this year, there is no "norm" in style.

An abundance of designs and textures, from the traditional smooth, polished look to matte finishes and woven chain mesh, give gold the freedom to conform to any desired style.

Our avant-garde Diva chooses her fashion and karat gold jewelry with dramatic flair. Mixing a minimalist wardrobe with neo-classical inspired jewelry, she brings to light a new style for the 80s. Hieroglyphics, cave drawings and coins decorate pieces which are hammered, stamped or faceted to enhance their surface beauty and add to their timeless appeal. Shown here: 18K gold cuff and ring, 14K gold collar, 18K gold coil earrings.

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Develop sense of self-confidence

Fashion program aims to help psychiatric patients

Vidal Sassoon marks the return of Halley's Comet with the Halley Comet Cut. The Cut, an orb of shine, blunt cut, and smoothed close to the head is the universal style this season. The "tail" of the comet moves in retrograde to the rest of the style, orbiting around the temple. Shape and shine are magnified with Clouds, a new Vidal Sassoon coloring technique that intensifies light as it reflects from above onto the head.

MONTREAL (CP) — Anne-Marie Perron had worked in the fashion industry for several years before she started to question whether a life in fashion had any meaning.

She trained at Dior and Balmain in Paris and once owned a Montreal salon de couture before returning to school and earning a degree in psychology at McGill University.

"I felt that fashion was futile and that there were more humanistic things to concern myself with," she says.

A year ago, she took over as fashion director of the Atelier d'Artisanat Centre-Ville, a three-pronged program designed to teach skills to recovering psychiatric patients trying to rejoin the community.

She also became director of Boutique Notre Place, a shop that is part of the program.

It is a sunny store filled with dresses, sweaters, coats and other clothing as well as art and handicrafts.

And now Perron ascribes to fashion a new importance: "To me, psychology was more important than fashion."

"Now I am doing both. It is very motivating. It (fashion) is not so futile, I have discovered. I learned that all along I had been doing therapy with fashion.

The program, which is largely workshop- and studio-based, has 85 participants, with about 30 working in fashion, learning skills such as weaving, knitting, sewing, and painting and dyeing fabric.

As fashion director, Perron is in charge of the design and cutting of all clothing sold in the boutique. Once cut, the garments are all produced by the participants.

Perron says the students develop a new sense of self-confidence as they realize their capabilities, she says.

"You're always busy here doing crafts and arts and people are less depressed. They see something ahead for themselves."

Perron also sees fashion as therapy for the customers.

"A new dress cheers you up — its fantastic. Customers go out and they feel sure of themselves. They feel confident, the colors are vibrant, people smile at them."

The students receive 40% of the proceeds from sale of items they made.

A few have found work in the industry with their new skills.

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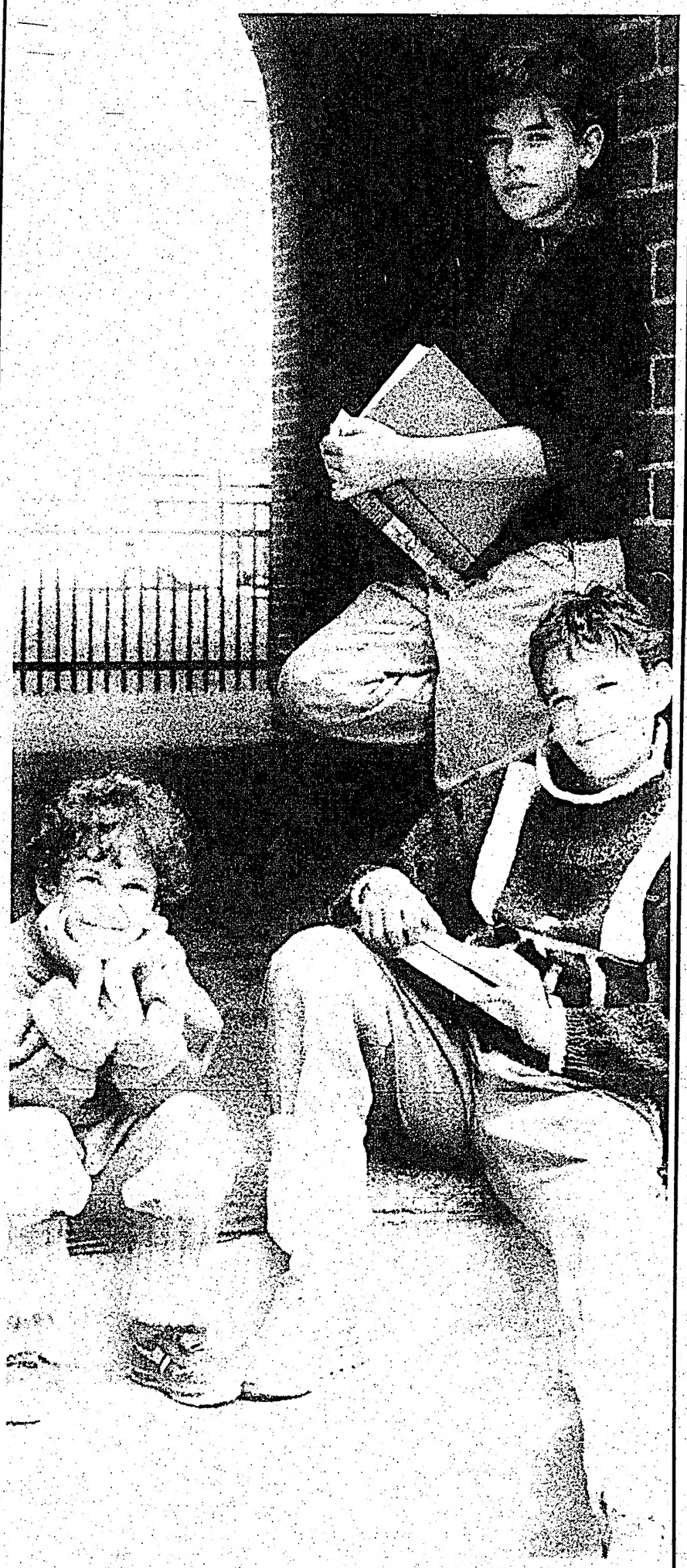

Attractive hand-knitted sweaters featuring geometric patterns in black, yellow, red, blue, woven in wool blend and acrylic. Retails from $75 to $85. Available at Kidding Around in Toronto. (Brad Stringer photo)

Fashion Alliance puts pizzazz into superb show

By
LORI SMITH

The fledgling Canadian Fashion Alliance (CFA) presented its first gala fashion show earlier this month and it was one of the best of the fall season.

The show which was held at Fresh, 132 Queen's Quay E., featured 19 new (i.e. relatively unknown) Canadian designers plus other "new" members of the fashion industry including models and photographers.

Though it started late (has any fashion show ever started on time?) the show was fast paced and energetic. The commentary and music were first rate and the clothing represented every mode of dressing from casual to formal in fabrics from lace to leather.

While all the work shown by each designer showed imagination and talent a subjective list of highlights includes a brown leather shirt dress by Arcana, Susan Barnett's body conscious dresses with scooped necks and trumpet skirts, Donato Design's ankle-grazing full coats with large dropped lapels and low slung half-belts and Paula Johnson's skirt and shirt with contrasting black patterns on the skirt.

In terms of style points everything is "in." Mini skirts were shown alongside mid-calf length skirts.

Clothes were loose and flowing or body baring and hugging. Jackets were cropped or long. Single breasted or double breasted.

Some outfits showed a 60s influence while others echoed Amadeus.

Black, however, is still "the" color. Nearly every designer featured something black, be it a whole garment or just trim.

And while brights were represented, there is a trend toward more muted colors.

The CFA will be opening a showroom/store on December 2. The work of member designers, photographers, illustrators and jewelry designers will be available there.

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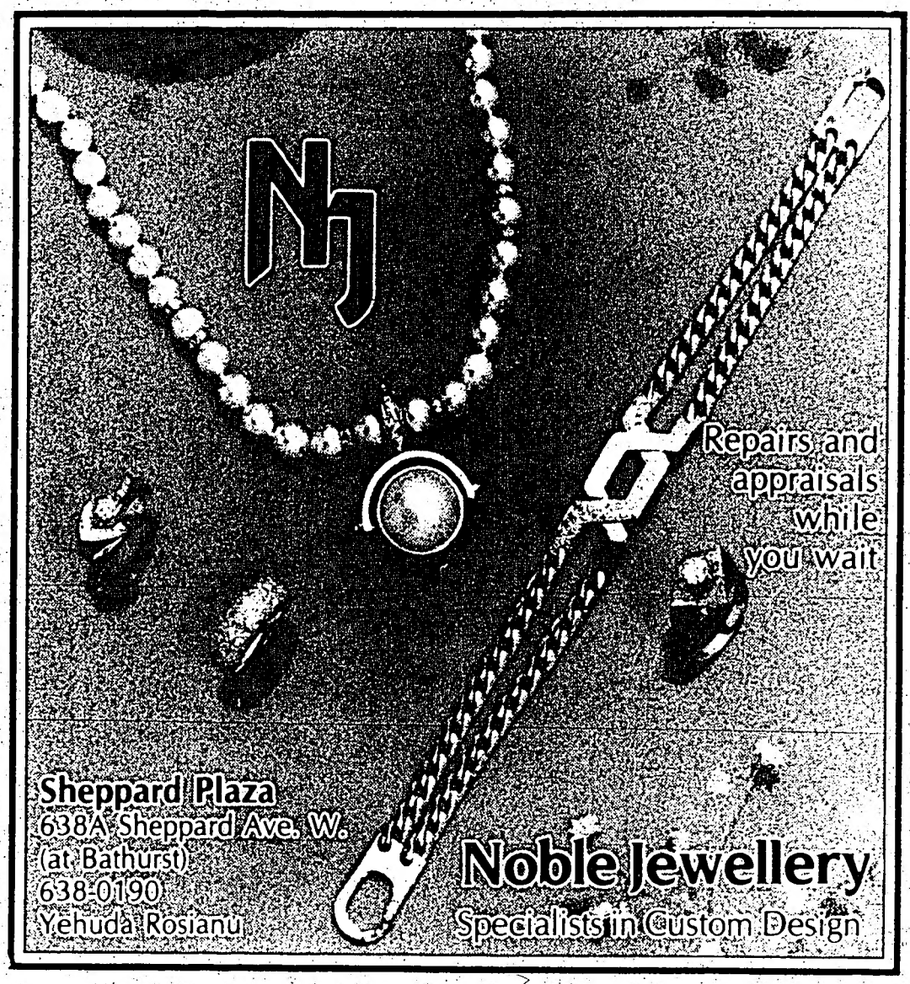

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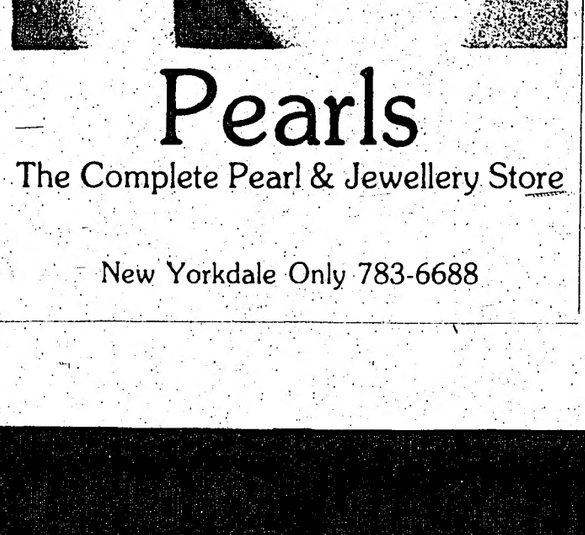
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Rally staged for Soviet Jews

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
A day-long rally and prayer vigil on behalf of Soviet Jewry was held in Nathan Phillips Square last week to coincide with the superpower summit meeting in Geneva.

At various times, as many as 100 onlookers heard speaker after speaker call on the Soviet Union to stop harassing its Jews, release Prisoners of Conscience and allow Refuseniks to leave the country.

The Day of Prayer for Peace and Human Rights for Soviet Jews, sponsored by the Committee for Soviet Jewry of Canadian Jewish Congress, was intended to draw attention to Soviet Jewry at the summit.

November 19 was set aside as International Solidarity Day for Soviet Jewry. Simultaneous demonstrations were held in almost all free countries, organizers noted.

Following shachrit services and a morning vigil, noon-hour speakers included Mayor Art Eggleton; MPPs Marion Bryden, Steve Offer, Tony Ruprecht, Elinor Caplan, Don Cousens and David McFadden; authors Charles Templeton and Irving Abella; CBC personality Roy Bonisteel; representatives of the Toronto Inter-Faith Council on Soviet Jewry and several Christian clergy.

Canon Bordon Purcell, chairman of the Ontario Human Rights Commission, recalled his meeting in the Soviet Union with Refuseniks and urged the signing of a protest telegram to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Other prominent speakers condemned Soviet policy toward Jews.

Rev. Jack Adams of Holy Trinity Church said the plight of Soviet Jewry is "not only a Jewish issue but a Christian issue as well."

Greetings also came on behalf of Anglican Archbishop Ted Scott from Rev. Peter Gratton of St. Timothy Church.

Alan Borovoy, head of the Canadian Civil Liberties Union, called on Gorbachev "to cut back not only on the number of missiles but also on the number of prisoners."

A "parallel summit conference" was held for two hours in the city hall peace garden, where participants slammed Soviet violations of several human rights accords, to which the Soviet Union is a signatory.

Several older onlookers later unfurled a banner whose message, in Russian, called on the Soviets to cease harassment of Jews.

Soviet Jewish emigration peaked at 51,000 in 1979, then plunged to just 896 last year and just over 600 so far this year, organizers said.

There are between 300,000 and 400,000 Refuseniks— those who have applied to leave, mainly to Israel, and have been refused, they added.

Another vigil followed until 4 p.m. Just after mincha services, about 30 members of the Toronto Association for Peace held their own candlelight vigil, calling for cooperation between the superpowers and an end to Star Wars research by the U.S.

Tribute set for Markish

TORONTO —
To mark the occasion of what would have been Yiddish poet Peretz Markish's 90th birthday, the Yiddish Culture Council of Toronto is arranging an evening of tribute to the late artist on Sunday, Dec. 1, at 8:30 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W.

Markish, a Yiddish poet and renowned literary figure who was born in the Ukraine, was one of the victims of the Stalin regime. He, along with 23 other Jewish writers and artists, was executed in Moscow on Aug. 12, 1952.

A prolific writer and poet, Markish published over 20 books of poetry and prose. One was the book Milchome (War), consisting of 1,276 poems — 20,000 lines of poetry in two volumes. The book depicts the brutality of the Germans and the tragedy of the 6 million Jews who perished under the Nazis.

The guest speaker for the occasion will be Markish's widow, Esther Markish from Israel who will speak on the national roots in the works of Peretz Markish.

She is a well known writer, in addition to being one of the first Refuseniks who fought for permission to leave the Soviet Union. After many refusals, she finally won her battle and was permitted to leave, along with her two sons, Shimon, a professor at the University of Geneva, and David, an author in Israel.

Other participants in the tribute will be Cantor Louis Danto, singer Ana Berman, Peretz Miranski and Adam Konetski.

The Yiddish Culture Council affiliated organizations are: Toronto Jewish Congress, Labor Zionist Farband, Pioneer Women's Organization, Workmen's Circle, Achdut Havoda-Poale Zion, New Fraternal Jewish Association, Farband of Lithuanian Jews, Lodzer Centre, Siedlece-Lookov Club, Warshever-Lodzer Society, Zaglembier Society and Fur and Leather Workers Union.

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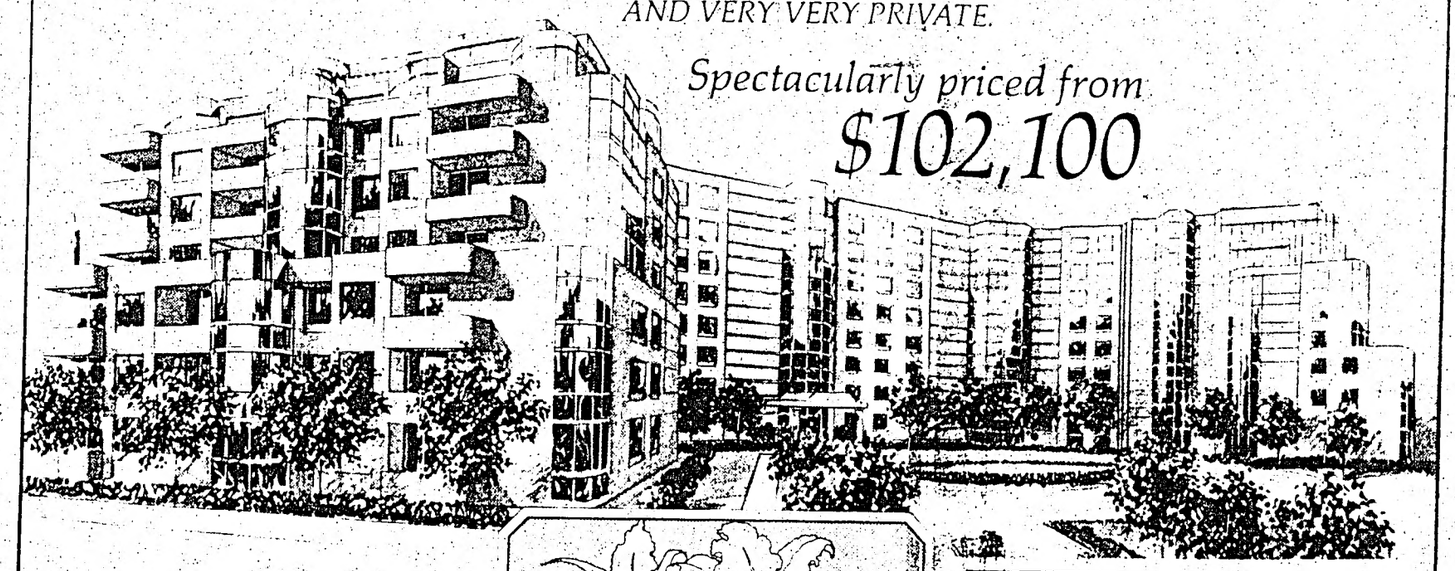

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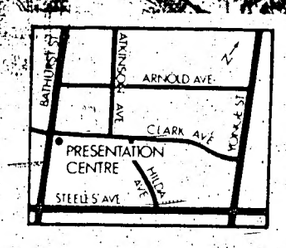

Down's Syndrome baby, David, depends on the Shaare Zedek "family" to kiss away his tears.

Hospital staff caring for tot

Down's baby needs family

JERUSALEM — In addition to being a full-service acute care hospital, Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Center is also home to David, a 13-month-old tot suffering from Down's Syndrome.

David was the ninth child of an unemployed father and an emotionally unstable and physically disabled mother. Rather than institutionalizing him, Shaare Zedek decided to "adopt" David at birth until a suitable foster family could be found.

Children with Down's Syndrome are mongoloid in appearance, with slanting eyes, protruding tongue, squashed nose and a broad, flat face. In recent years, studies have shown that plastic surgery greatly enhances the outward appearance of these children and strengthens them emotionally so that they can achieve higher intellectual levels.

Until the 1970s it was thought that such children would never rise above the level of imbecility. This has been proven wrong. Some Down's Syndrome children have normal intelligence and a few have managed to complete high school and enter university. Dr. Reuven Feurstein, director of the Canadian Hadassah-WIZO Research Institute in Jerusalem, has made remarkable progress in educating these children.

Their advancement is definitely linked to the input of the family and caregivers and their intellectual stimulation of the child. In David's case, his family is incapable of providing him with minimal care, let alone the special attention he requires.

So, for now, David's mothers and fathers are the staff at the Shaare Zedek Medical Center. With his crop of black curly hair and dark eyes, he is the darling of the nurses, doctors, volunteers and national service girls alike.

A poster in the office of the hospital's social worker, Amalia Oren, tells the story. It says "we all need someone to kiss away our tears!" Unfortunately, for David, that "someone" is always changing and there is no one person or couple to whom he is bonded.

Kiss away his tears

Despite the lack of a real family, David has learned to roll over and crawl, hold objects and throw them, sit and respond with a wide grin to anyone who takes the time to play with him.

Financially, David is no one's responsibility. He's not covered by Kupat Cholim (General Sick Fund) because he's not sick. National Insurance only pays for the first week after birth, and the ministry of social welfare only finances children in its own institutions. To date, it has cost Shaare Zedek at least $36,000 to care for little David. A foster family would receive only $150 a month from the ministry to care for him, an insufficient sum to serve as an attraction for most couples.

Amalia Oren feels she must try at least once more to find a family willing to love David and make him theirs. Until a solution is found, it will continue to be the Shaare Zedek family that "kiss away his tears."

Art story correction

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Immediate appointments feature of practice

Speech pathologists offer private therapy services

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Johnny, age 3½, says "oo-ee" for cookie. The few words he says are hard to understand and he seems to have difficulty understanding others.

Anne is 5, and as many young children often do, she repeats sounds when she is excited. "Mmmmommy, gggguess what I have?"

Mr. D. is a middle-aged stroke victim. The right side of his body is paralyzed and he has serious difficulty speaking, reading, writing and understanding the speech of others. His disorder is called aphasia.

Johnny, Anne and Mr. D. are examples of people who come to speech/language pathologists for professional help. A speech pathologist is a professional who is qualified to assess, diagnose, treat and study the disorders of speech, voice and language.

"One of every 10 Canadians has a communication disorder — old and young alike," says Marsha Wright, a speech/language pathologist in private practice. "Almost 50% of Canadians 65 or older suffer from some loss of hearing. Stuttering affects approximately 1% of the population. And 50% of all stroke victims require speech therapy."

Wright and speech/language pathologist Roberta Hochman provide private services from two locations, in Willowdale and Scarborough, offering comprehensive services which include assessment and treatment of articulation, stuttering, tongue thrust, voice disorders and speech and language delays in children.

Speech/language pathologists Marsha Wright (left) and Roberta Hochman review therapy materials.

Wright and Hochman met at the Hospital for Sick Children where they worked in the speech pathology department. After they left the hospital to start their families, they decided to establish a private practice together.

"We discovered that many people wanted evaluation and treatment of communication disorders outside of hospitals and schools," says Wright. "We have been providing services to both adults and children in Metro Toronto and surrounding areas for more than 12 years, with offices at 4800 Leslie St., and at 2760 Victoria Park Ave., Suite 214."

The advantages of a private practice, says Hochman, is that we are able to offer immediate appointments whereas at a hospital clinic the waiting lists are often up to a year, and we offer after school and evening appointments. She adds that they are able to work on a one-to-one basis and set-up intensive programs where needed.

"Many patients with impairments in their communication process require a multidisciplinary approach," says Hochman. This could include interacting with doctors, dentists, orthodontists, audiologists, teachers, psychiatrists, physio- and occupational therapists, psychologists, and social workers, or others working within the health care system.

"Most often it is professionals in the fields of education, psychology, dentistry, pediatrics or some other fields of medicine who initially identify the problems and refer to a speech pathologist," says Hochman.

"They are a vital link in the diagnostic process and subsequent therapy. Each disorder has its own criteria and each candidate must be considered individually."

Hochman describes some behaviors that might indicate a potential problem in children:

- Not using single words by age 2½-3.
- Using only 2- and 3-word utterances by age 4.
- Not responding to questions or not following directions consistently.
- Difficulty finding the right words to express himself or herself.
- Appearing to understand far more than he or she is able to express.

When one or more of these behaviors are observed, says Hochman, a referral would be indicated. Early detection of speech and language disorders, she stresses, is essential to achieve the optimum results in a remedial program.

Speech pathologists Wright and Hochman are in their mid-30s and both have two daughters. Along with their degrees in speech pathology, Hochman has a Master's of education degree in language and learning disabilities from York University and Wright has a Master's of science degree in counseling from Niagara University.

The services of a speech/language pathologist in private practice are now partially covered by numerous extended insurance plans. "Since OHIP does not cover these services," says Wright, "many people do not realize that they may have coverage through their employers supplemental insurance plans."

Both language pathologists are active in a number of professional associations and Hochman served as co-chairman of the 1985 Annual Conference of the Canadian Speech and Hearing Association and recently, Wright served as chairman for the session on Private Practice in Speech Pathology and Audiology at the Ontario Speech and Hearing Association convention.

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Response exceeded screenwriter's expectations

Beyond the Walls termed metaphor of Israeli society

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —
When Benny Barbash and his brother, Uri, were making *Beyond The Walls*, they wondered what kind of a reception it would be accorded in Israel.

For Beyond The Walls would be no ordinary Israeli film. "We wanted to say something about the existential situation in Israel," said the young screenwriter in an interview the other day. "We weren't specifically addressing the film to a Diaspora audience."

Beyond The Walls, which played for a short run in Toronto earlier this year, is about the touchy relationship between Jews and Palestinian Arabs in an Israeli jail. But it is much more than a conventional prison drama.

"In many ways, the prison was a metaphor for Israeli society, where many people are imprisoned in their prejudices and preconceived notions," said Barbash.

Given the explosive nature of the subject, the Barbashes could not be certain how their fellow Israelis would respond. "We had some doubts whether the film would be successful in Israel."

He needn't have worried.

Beyond The Walls turned out to be a commercial and critical success, one of the all-time Israeli hits. "It was greeted very enthusiastically," said Barbash, a 34-year-old lieutenant colonel in the Israeli army reserves.

This, if anything, is an understatement. Six hundred thousand Israelis paid to see it after its 1984 release, and it went on to be nominated for an Oscar as best foreign film.

Barbash said Beyond The Walls, which was distributed abroad by Warner Brothers, fared very well in Europe and South America, but not so well in North America.

He thinks that its lack of success on this continent had something to do with its raw content. North American Jews, he explained, are not accustomed to Israeli films which depict Palestinians with empathy. He described Beyond The Walls, which features Jewish and Arab actors, as "a story of reconciliation and compromise" where people "free themselves of their chains of prejudices."

Benny Barbash

Barbash, here to screen Beyond The Walls for Canadian Friends of Peace Now, said: "It's a must to believe that Arabs and Jews in Israel can reach an understanding. Otherwise, they will ruin each other."

Arab-Jewish relations in Israel have been rather tense of late, what with the spate of terrorist incidents and the rise to prominence of Meir Kahane. Barbash said he expects no immediate solutions, but, based on the favorable Israeli reaction to Beyond The Walls, he is hopeful about the future.

He is not too worried about the Kahane phenomenon. "As Shimon Peres said, Kahane is a shame, not a threat."

Beyond The Walls, which his brother Uri directed, was made with a budget of $500,000, a puny sum by today's standards. The Israeli ministry of education's film division donated $100,000, and private investors provided the rest of the funds.

Interestingly enough, Beyond The Walls was Benny Barbash's first film script. He wrote it in conjunction with his brother, to whom he is very close. After leaving the army five years ago, he published an autobiographical novel, in Hebrew, about a young soldier whose world is rocked by a war.

Barbash, who left the armed forces as a lieutenant colonel, fought in the 1973 Yom Kippur War, and was severely wounded in the recapture of Mt. Hermon from the Syrians. He spent three months in a Haifa hospital recovering from his wounds.

A peace activist, he completed six tours of duty in Lebanon after Israel's 1982 invasion. During the war itself, his unit engaged the Syrian army in eastern Lebanon. Barbash, who has a BA in history, opposed the war, but, unlike some Israeli soldiers, he decided to fight. "I felt I had to obey government orders," he says.

Barbash has been a member of Peace Now since 1980, but he backed its goals while he was still a professional soldier. "Peace Now has a very important role to play in gathering peace forces in Israel in support of negotiations with the other side. If I didn't think there was a chance of a settlement (with the Arabs) I wouldn't go on living in Israel."

Barbash, who is married and lives in Tel Aviv, recently completed his second film script for *Dreamers*, a film his brother will direct. Dreamers, he explained, is set in post- World War I Palestine and revolves around Jewish pioneers striving to adapt themselves to their new homeland. Like Beyond The Walls, it examines socially and politically relevant themes.

Lillian Lux-Burstein

Yiddish actress will give shows

TORONTO —
Lillian Lux-Burstein, one of the best known actresses of Yiddish theatre, will give two performances of her 1-woman show of comedy and song in English and Yiddish entitled Memories of the Yiddish Theatre here next month.

Her shows, arranged by the Toronto Jewish Theatre, will begin at 7.30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, and Sunday, Dec. 8, at the Northview Heights auditorium (Bathurst and Finch).

Lux-Burstein's successes include performances with the greatest names in Yiddish theatre including Maurice Schwartz, Ludwig Zatz, Menashe Skulnik and her husband Pesach Burstein. (She and Burstein are the parents of international star Mike Burstein.)

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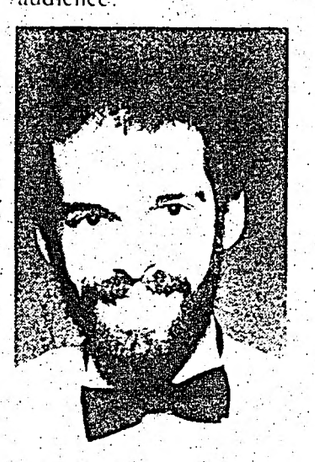
Arts

You bet your life stand-up comic a Groucho fan

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
When Groucho, the musical comedy about the eyebrow-wiggling member of the Marx Brothers, is at Leah Posluns Theatre Nov. 28-Dec. 21, you can be sure that a member of the new generation of Groucho buffs will be in the audience.



Howard Nemetz

He is Howard Nemetz, 29, an MC and feature stand-up comic at Yuk Yuks, who considers Groucho's rapid fire delivery and timing the best in the business.

It was back in 1972 when Nemetz, then living in Montreal, became addicted to the Marx Brothers when CBC-TV ran a late night series including A Night at the Opera, Horsefeathers, A Day at the Races, Duck Soup.

Odd jobs pay rent for Nemetz

Later Nemetz went on to McGill University. "I was a biology major until my marks came out," he said. "Then I transferred to Films and Communication. You can imagine how tough that was."

He was one of the performers in 1979 on opening night at Stitches, a Montreal comedy club. That has since folded, but Nemetz still goes back to his native city to play at a new club, The Comedy Nest. "It provides my best audiences because they are middle and upper class university students."

Playing his stand-up comic trade in Toronto since 1980, Nemetz said he manages to pay the rent by taking odd jobs such as MC at male strip clubs and even once as the stand-up comic on a bus bound for Octoberfest in Kitchener. He's also working on feature-length comedy scripts with writing partner Simon Rakoff, son of the well known psychiatrist, Dr. Vivian Rakoff.

Groucho is written and directed by Arthur Marx, Groucho's son, with Robert Fisher. It stars Eddie Makka of the Laverne and Shirley TV show. Bryan J. Finkelstein re-creates the characters of both Harpo and Chico while Delyse Lively (Mrs. Eddie Mekka) plays all the female characters.

In an author's note to the play, Arthur Marx has written: "Lurking beneath that caustic, moustachioed exterior was a kindly, tender, sensitive human being and doting father.

"At times he could even be recklessly generous. He once handed me a check for $100,000 to make up for the fact that he thought I was mad at him. . . . The comic side of him made him one of the most entertaining people I've ever known. But it also made it virtually impossible to communicate with him. His wives (all of whom he accused of having no sense of humor) and his children can attest to this."

The play deals first with Groucho as a two-dimensional vaudeville caricature with the grease moustache, crouching lope and wagging cigar. Next he is the wisecracking host of You Bet Your Life. Finally he is the wistful, gently cynical figure of the final years, the frail, witty Groucho of the talk shows.

Left to right, Bryan Finkelstein, Eddie Mekka and Delyse Lively in Groucho at the LPT.

Simplistic script, slow pace drag Eleni down

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —
For a film based on a book with so many dramatic possibilities, *Eleni* is clearly disappointing.

Written by Nicholas Gage, a former New York Times correspondent, Eleni is his biographical and best-selling account of an obsessed Greek American who searches for, and finds, the man who sentenced his mother to death by firing squad.

Eleni, the central figure in the book and the movie, is a strong peasant woman who dies for her children. Gage, in describing her, elevated Eleni into a universal symbol of selfless motherhood.

Peter Yates' film, now playing at Famous Players theatres, is structured through a series of flashbacks which convey the picture of a devoted mother struggling to protect her home in the midst of civil war in Greece.

Eleni (Kate Nelligan) has to cope without her husband because he is in America building a future for his family. Eleni has been left to fend totally for herself as warfare convulses her mountain village.

Years after her death, Nick Gage (he has anglicized his name) is still tormented by it. Gage (John Malkovich) is determined to find her killer and end the mystery of his mother's demise once and for all.

Tension grips the screen as Gage, having been appointed bureau chief in Athens, sets out on his new assignment. In theory, a viewer can look forward to an exciting, fast-paced, compassionate film where love conquers all.

But this is not the way Eleni unfolds. It moves as slowly as a tortoise, and the performers seem overwhelmed by their parts.

Eleni, which should have been a superior cinematic work, is dragged down by sagging scenes, particularly those in the middle. And Nelligan and Malkovich, who are normally excellent actors, are unable to plumb the depths of emotions inherent in the vivid characters they portray.

The script does not help matters. It is simplistic and unrevealing.

In watching Eleni, you wait for the moment when it will hit you with the full force of its powerful story. But that moment never comes.

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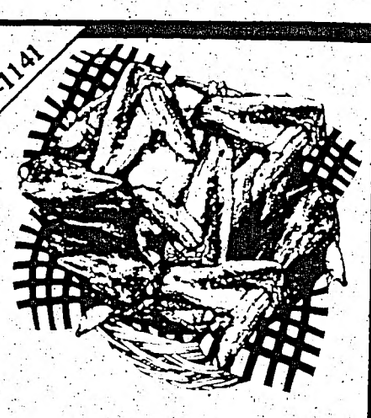

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Arts

A scene from 90 Days.

NFB's 90 Days film proves a surprise hit

BY
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

90 Days, the National Film Board's modest, disarming film about romantic entanglements, is clearly a winner.

The surprise hit of this year's film festivals in Montreal and Toronto, 90 Days is a comical adventure in the art of bliss and love.

Giles Walker's 99-minute color production revolves around two men — Blue and Alex — who find themselves in completely different predicaments.

Blue (Stefan Wodoslawsky) has "ordered" a bride from Korea, having found her in Cheery Blossoms, a magazine advertising available Oriental women. Blue, after meeting Hyang-Sook (Christine Pak) at the airport, has 90 days to make up his mind about her before her Canadian visa expires.

Alex (Sam Grana), his friend, isn't so lucky. His marriage wrecked, he has just been thrown out of his girlfriend's house with his bag of golf clubs. He sheepishly asks Blue for shelter. Blue grudgingly consents, as long as he leaves the next day. He doesn't want Alex around just hours before Hyang-Sook is due to arrive in town.

90 Days, now playing at Cineplex's Carleton, is primarily about Blue's gradual adjustment to Hyang-Sook, whose cultural values and expectations are somewhat at variance with his.

Despite his rather abrupt treatment of Alex, Blue is essentially a fine fellow. He is caring, gentle, patient, and helpful. But he appears to have doubts as to whether he should actually marry his Korean flower. And he doesn't want Alex involved in his decision.

Meanwhile, Alex gets embroiled in a seemingly improbable situation with a woman named Laura (Fernanda Tavares). Laura, acting on behalf of an anonymous client, has earmarked Alex as a potential sperm donor. But Alex has more than merely sperm in mind. He has fallen for Laura. Although this subplot has no apparent relation to the main business at hand, the two tales do merge seamlessly.

The performers are up to par. Christine Pak is charming and natural and not in the least affected. Stefan Wodoslawsky is likeable in his role. Sam Grana displays an empathetic vulnerability.

The film itself, which emanates a certain sweetness, engages our empathy from the start. It is not a major work by any means and never has such pretensions. We accept it on its own terms and we are pleased by the down-to-earth results.

90 Days works its magic very unobtrusively.

Things looking up these days for multitalented Glassbourg

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

There is no door knob on the entrance to the walk-up apartment at College and Spadina where Michael Glassbourg lives and the wind whistles through; upstairs the 34-year-old Montreal-born writer, actor and director extends a friendly greeting. The only other occupant is Michael's pet, a 1-eyed cat.

The sparse furnishings and the generous working space suggest a man who is used to being on the move which fits Glassbourg to a T, for in his young life he's been flat broke so many times he's lost count.

He originally came to Toronto nine years ago to take an acting job in a film which never happened. So he hitch-hiked out West, where, among other things, he was a short-order cook, a waiter and a constuction worker on Vancouver Island.

In Toronto he's been a Christmas help postman, loaded 12 tons of sheet metal (with another worker) on a conveyor belt every shift in an Etobicoke factory, and a "glorified shipper" at Omar Imports in the Fashion Building on Spadina Ave., where he worked with "splendid people." At other times he's been out of work and too broke to leave the city.

Right now he's on a roll. His play, Bad Apples, is reopening Nov. 28 at Toronto Free Theatre, Berkeley St. (to run to Dec. 15) after a 3-week SRO stint at the Theatre Centre. Several 1-hour specials he's written have been on the CBC in the past few years and a half-hour drama he did has been adapted to a book by Celia Barker, under the imprint of Scholastic Publishing.

Several other writing projects are well under way.

Bad Apples, staged by Mixed Company, is about five high school students in the lower academic stream, and their teacher, who can't handle the system any better than they can. "Teachers who have seen it have described it as painfully accurate," Glassbourg, who at one time wanted to be a teacher, told The CJN.

The students live in a low-income section of Toronto in the Broadview-Queen area and it was in the Mixed Company offices in the basement of the Ralph Thornton Community Centre there that the writer closeted himself for six weeks to deliver the script by deadline.

The real motivation for Bad Apples, he said, came from a display of paintings by students aged 11 to 19 at the Art Gallery of Ontario. "Every one had an apocolyptic vision. Is this what they're carrying in their heads? They are our future. The school system can and should be given a lot more and it is impossible for the teachers to do it alone."

Michael Glassbourg

A byproduct of Glassbourg's job in the garment district is that he learned to discipline himself in the use of his time as a writer and he said he has been more prolific as the result.

A graduate in Philosophy of Religion (honors) from Sir George Williams University, Montreal, in 1972, Glassbourg is a grandson of the late Prof. Jacob Rosemarin, a well known musician. His father, Leo, though blind, still runs a small printing business, and his mother, Rosalie, is a musician.

One brother, Arne, is a freelance photo journalist in Montreal, and a younger brother, Emil, owns a futon store, Futons for Fun, on Queen St. in Toronto. A sister, Adah, an artist and actress, living in New York, is a specialist in hand-painted T shirts.

No matter how many times Glassbourg moves, all his writing, from the beginning, and these T shirts, go with him.

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Arts

Career is rapidly expanding

Israel rock superstar Tzvika Pick coming to Toronto

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

Political involvement is just the latest of a long series of hats worn by Israel's most popular and durable rock superstar, Tzvika Pick, who will be appearing in concert at Seneca College's Minkler Auditorium at 8 p.m. Dec. 14.

Pick is chairman of Artists for the Herut Party, the major component of the Likud bloc which, under Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, forms one of the two major coalition partners in Israel's present national unity government.

Meanwhile, his career is rapidly expanding far beyond the borders of Israel, with numerous large concert-hall appearances in North America and Europe as well as steady club engagements in midtown New York.

To Israeli audiences, there is absolutely no need to introduce Pick at all. The Polish-born singer-composer got his first big break playing a lead role in the Israeli production of Hair back in 1972, and followed this spotlighted appearance with his touring appearance in the 1973 Chassidic Song Festival, where his version of the familiar prayer Shema Israel won him fame.

But it is in secular rock n'roll where Pick has really made his mark, having written and composed at least a dozen major Israeli pop hits on over 18 albums. Now, he is aiming to establish his reputation as a major pop star in the mainstream Anglo-American record market.

And so, between club dates at New York's Jerusalem Upstairs cafe near the Broadway theatre districts and large-hall concert performances including Paris and Los Angeles, Pick is meeting with record executives whom he hopes will enable him to reach his goal.

Meanwhile, Tzvika Pick is very excited about his upcoming Toronto performance. He fondly remembers the warm reception he received at O'Keefe Centre back in 1979. There is no reason to doubt that this reception will be repeated Dec. 14. For further information call 669-9388.

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Ralph Schlossberg's newly commissioned Hallel Psalms of Praise will receive its world premiere Sunday evening Dec. 8 in celebration of the second Light of Chanukah, at Holy Blossom Temple. Participating will be Cantor Benjamin Maissner, The Temple Singers of Holy Blossom, the children's choir of the religious school and an instrumental ensemble.

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Pianist Yefim Bronfman will perform with the Emerson String Quartet at St. Lawrence CentreStage Jane Mallet Theatre (formerly Town Hall) at 8 p.m. Dec. 10.

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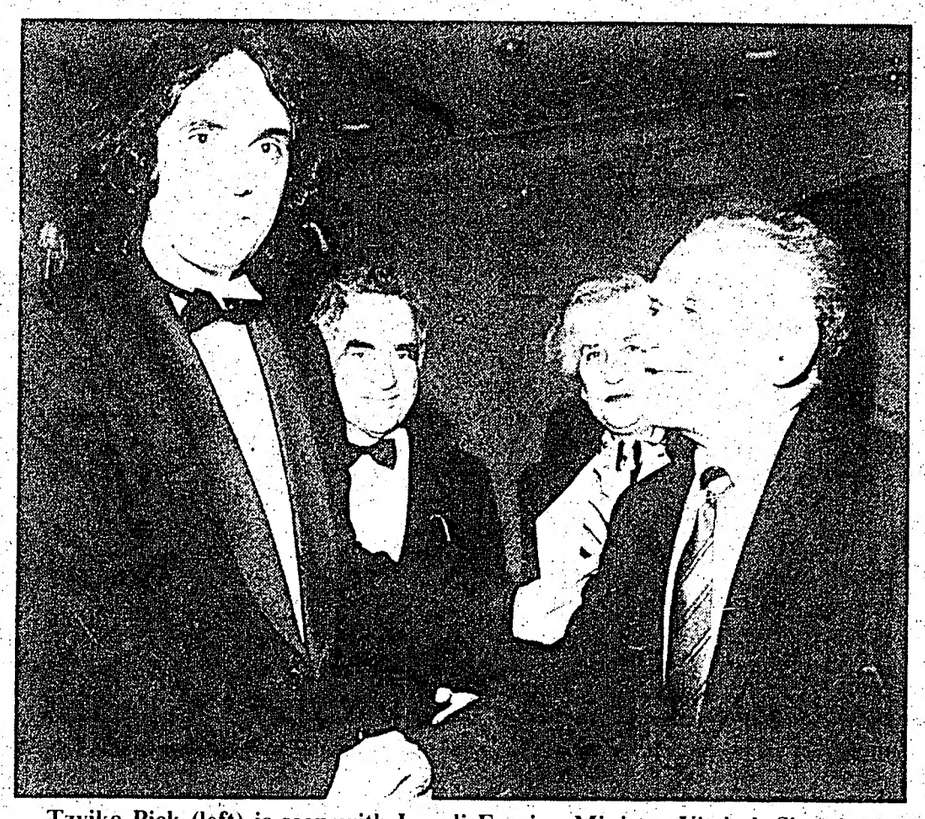
While this column can't assume responsibility for no-shows (published events which are cancelled at the last minute), the promoters of these Jewish musical events owe to the reading public a responsibility that these events actually take place.

The Martin Davidson appearance at Malkat Peking, a return engagement by Sandy Shmuely at the same place, and a performance by Dadu Topaz at Minkler Auditorium Oct. 27 are three examples of recent no-shows.

Promoters are asked to make greater efforts to determine that the events they wish publicized are "firm" before approaching me. Otherwise everybody loses out.



Tzvika Pick (left) is seen with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Gallery to hold an all-Israeli art show, sale

TORONTO —

The Circle Art Gallery (19 Hazelton Ave.) is preparing for an all-Israeli art show and sale featuring over 150 works of art from 12 Israeli artists, Dec. 5 to 15.

The exhibit and sale will be held in conjunction with the Attara Gallery of Montreal, which specializes in Israeli art.

Circle Art Gallery Director Susan Hahn Grafstein says a variety of Jewish organizations will participate in the event. She said many Jewish women's groups have pledged to buy a certain number of art works, with 20% of all proceedings going to the Jewish or Israeli charity of the group's choice.

The works of perhaps the foremost name in contemporary Israeli art, Yaavok Agam, will be featured.

Other artists to be showcased will include Naftali Bezem, Ruth Zafarti, Avi Schwartz and Sophie Jungreis. Artist Dubi Arie, who now lives in Toronto, will have about 35 paintings exhibited.

The textile murals of Kalman Shemi will also be displayed.

A variety of media will be represented: oil and acrylic painting, etching, sculpture and watercolor.

Handmade jewelry by artist Rachel Gara will be for sale.

Grafstein says prices will range from $200 to $6,000, but the bulk of the works will go from $200 to $1,000, with 20% going to charity.

Any Jewish organization that has not yet pledged to take part in the show is welcome to do so, Grafstein added.

The gallery may be reached at 961-5806.

Temple to present Schlossberg's Hallel

TORONTO —

A specially commissioned Hallel (Psalm 113-118 used in the liturgy on Jewish Festivals) will be performed in its full concert version for the first time on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple.

The work has been especially written for the temple by Ralph Schlossberg, the distinguished American Jewish composer, and himself a cantor at Temple Shomrei Torah in Hillside, NJ.

The soloist will be Cantor Benjamin Maissner of Holy Blossom Temple who initiated the project, the Temple Singers under his direction, the children's choir of the Temple's religious school and a chamber instrument ensemble.

Describing the new work, Maissner says: "Here we have created a musical segment of our liturgy, with a conscious effort being given to the creativity of our Prayer Book, rather than adopting, and adjusting existing musical renditions to newly revised Hebrew and English texts."

Maissner quotes Schlossberg as saying his creation is "simple and grand, singable and artistic at the same time." The composer states that "the music is expressive of the text," reflecting "a prayerful mood of awesomeness as well as joy."

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Gizella Witkowsky retains her dignity — somehow — as David Roxander attempts a lift.

Comic routines of Elite Syncopations

Ballet works as a fun piece

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

Ragtime music laughs in the face of misery.

Born in the bars and brothels of the Mississippi Valley, its off-kilter rhythm struts and prances.

There was laughter, strutting and prancing aplenty at the National Ballet of Canada's recent production of Kenneth MacMillan's ragtime ballet, Elite Syncopations.

The comic routines teetered safely just this side of camp, thanks in great measure to David Roxander's sense of exactly when to stop mugging.

The Alaskan Rag sequence, with Gizella Witkowsky towering a full head above Roxander, managed to be funny without making fun of either Witkowsky's height or Roxander's lack of it.

But only in the set, which stripped the O'Keefe Centre stage bare, was there any suggestion of the poverty so joyously defied by Scott Joplin and his fellow composers.

Even then, the spectacularly sexy costumes looked as if they belonged more at a fancy dress ball than in a Black dance hall.

Elite Syncopations is a fun piece, choreographed by a Briton for what was until recently a European art form.

On that level it works. The ballet is a thoroughly enjoyable celebration of life.

Perhaps it's too much to ask that it also show the grit it took to celebrate the life from which ragtime was born.

Elite Syncopations was the third of the ballets making up the short program of the National's fall season.

Sandwiched between performances of two major full-length works — in this season Don Quixote and Onegin — the short program has become a showcase for the company, a chance to demonstrate the full range of its dancers' talents.

On opening night, the centrepiece of the program, Glen Tetley's Sphinx, displayed the talents of three of the National's stars: Karen Kain, Frank Augustyn and Gregory Osborne.

Set to the wrenching Double Concerto for two string orchestras, piano and tympani, by Bohuslav Martinu, the ballet is based on Jean Cocteau's play, La Machine Infernale.

In the drama, the Sphinx, a winged lioness with the head and breasts of a woman, wearies of immortality and longs to love a human.

She appears to Oedipus in human form and defies her companion, Anubis, the god of the dead, by falling in love. Rather than kill Oedipus, she gives him the answer to the riddle she must ask him — and loses him and her human form forever.

Sphinx is sensual. The costumes cling to the dancers' bodies, Kain's white, Osborne's the red of death, Augustyn's flesh-colored, with red, curving lines that emphasize his maleness.

Kain and Augustyn move with a passion intensified not only by the discipline of the dance but by the power of the myth they interpret.

At the moment of consummation, they lie between the wings of the Sphinx for a breathless instant.

Anubis stalks them with the measured pace of death, and the moment shatters.

Kain can transmit an emotion with a droop of her head, a flutter of her arm. But nothing could be more poignant than her stillness at the end, frozen forever between the wings that imprison her in immortality.

The program opened with resident choreographer Constantin Patsalas' L'Ile Inconnue, set to Hector Berlioz' song cycle, Les Nuits d'Ete.

A lyrical ballet which explores the nuances of romantic love, it had some moving moments.

Gizella Witkowsky and Rex Harrington seemed to blend into one figure of allure and longing, their billowing white costumes wrapping around each other in the pas de deux, The Spirit of the Rose.

But the pace was slow, and eventually the eyes glazed and the emotions dissipated.

Even the soaring voice of mezzo soprano Catherine Robbin could not combat the deadening tempo at which the score was played.

The season concluded with Onegin on Nov. 24.

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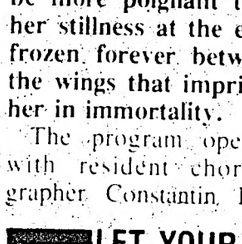

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Devastating satire

Play shows schools botch sex education

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The Cradle Will Fall, by the Theatre of Change, running until Dec. 15, is a primer on how schools botch the subject of sex education, with passing shots at the church, parents and the media, for their success in alienating youth from society.

It is a collective work, adapted from Spring Awakening by the German playwright Frank Wedekind, whose best known work is Lulu, and daringly directed by Arturo Fresolone, who has already established a solid reputation in Toronto as an innovator. The cast of 12 are highly talented young performers.

Wedekind wrote Spring Awakening in 1896 and Fresolone and his cast have brought it right up to date, dealing with abortion, suicide, homosexuality, prostitution and sex education. The latter subject is the one best fleshed out, perhaps because it is the richest field for exploration. It does go too far, however, in subjecting the audience to 20 minutes of a standard, anatomical film on sex education shown in schools and under public health auspices.

The point The Cradle Will Fall is trying to make, that the system is willing to talk about the anatomy of sex, and little else, is much better made in the opening scene when the play goes live.

Clever scene

Teachers involved with children of awakening years will find it a devastating satire on present sex education. Parents who depend on the regular school system to inform their children will find it a useful perspective.

In its other aspects, the play is too strident and lugubrious, only occasionally reaching the level of satire and humor of the opening scene. Two notable exceptions are the song about the comic Spiderman and a skit on Canadian cultural sovereignty.

Another effective and clever scene involves the cast satirizing the jingles and TV commercials which deal with everything but reality.

The production is being staged in the Actor's Lab Theatre, 155A George St., in the Jarvis-Queen area, where padded, backless benches on two sides are what you should expect for experimental theatre. Phone 465-3841 or 363-2883 for information.

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Travel

Ups and downs through the years

Luxury kosher cruise will make new appearance

By BERNARD ANSEL

The concept of a luxury kosher vacation at sea is now nearly two decades old. Many readers might remember not only the cruise ships of Israel's Zim Lines but also various other ships that boasted a kosher kitchen or dining room which could meet the needs of a large contingent on a particular sailing.

In this connection, one thinks immediately of the Columbia dining room on the Queen Elizabeth II and several vessels belonging to the Greek Line.

The QE II, in fact, used to boast of its one chef that had passed a special course in the "kosher culinary arts."

By the mid-1970s, the demand had apparently slackened. Now the traditional traveler, anxious to sample the pleasures that only a cruise vacation can afford, had to rely on frozen meals of varying quality.

For a time, most, but not all upscale (or A category) cruise lines were generous in supplying special meals, even going so far as to order frozen dinners vastly superior to what is normally provided on an aircraft.

But these meals were incomplete, lacking, as they did, the breads, pastries and condiments that should complement one's dining experience.

In the last few years, competition among the lines has heated up, and as they scrutinize the bottom line, the frozen kosher dinner becomes an extinct species.

Incredibly, the cost of two of these dinners daily were exceeding the cruise lines' budget.

Enter Go Kosher Tours, a West Coast operator now based in Buffalo, NY. This small company was able to persuade Holland America, a very respectable cruise line, to kosher and separate a part of the kitchen on their famed S.S. Statendem.

Thus was born, in January 1977,a new version of the segmentalized kosher cruise.

New shot in arm

The kosher kitchen and private dining area could serve only 100 passengers divided into two sittings at each meal.

That 10-day cruise visited the most popular islands of the Eastern Caribbean. Another on the T.S.S. Mardi Gras took place a year later. But the economics of cruising caught up again.

Most lines, by the late 1970s began discarding their older ships in favor of streamlined new vessels. By the early 1980s, ships with large galleys and non-Sabbath departures could not be found.

At this point, kosher cruising received a new shot in the arm from an unlikely source — the Italian government.

In the mid 1960s, with jet age nearly a decade old, Italy gambled and lost on three beautiful new liners designed to compete with the French and the British Queens.

One of these ships was the SS *Galileo*, which soon fell victim to the demise of transatlantic sea travel.

Fantasy Cruise Lines arranged with the Italian government to refurbish the vessel and place it in service for pleasure cruising.

Though thoroughly modern, it has a large galley which will be utilized for another Go Kosher cruise scheduled to depart Miami for the Western Caribbean on Sunday, Jan. 12.

Discounts for family members

Air Canada offering savings

MONTREAL —

To stimulate travel during this traditionally slow period of the year, Air Canada has put together a package of savings aimed at full fare travelers and their families on North American routes, the airline has announced.

Last year's 50% discount program for accompanying family members has been re-introdueed in Canada, until Dec. 20.

The plan offers half-price tickets for economy or first class travel for the first accompanying family member, whether a spouse, or a child age 21 and under. Each additional family member is eligible for a third off if they are two to 11, or 17% off for those 12 to 21.

This year, the plan has been extended to include, subject to government approval, transborder routes from Dec. 1, to Jan. 31, 1986. Other bonuses include a Tilden car/hotel package. That features a car rental for $29.95 per day, plus 50% off hotel accommodations at participating hotels in Canada.

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More than casinos make up eastern gambling mecca

By
JEFF ROSEN

Take a chance and give lady luck a roll at one of Atlantic City's casino hotels.

ATLANTIC CITY — What has Boardwalk, Park Place, Atlantic and Pacific Avenues, as well as the chance to win big money with a roll of the dice?

If you guessed the popular board game, Monopoly, you wouldn't be entirely wrong, but the place this all comes together is Atlantic City, the city on which the game is based.

Atlantic City is a year-round island resort, located seven miles off the southern New Jersey coast and 2¼ hours from New York City by road.

Only 1½ hours from Toronto via an Air Ontario turboprop, this gaming resort includes 11 casino hotels — most located on the famous Atlantic City boardwalk — as well as a myriad of activities for the entire family.

Since the city's first casino hotel — Resorts International — opened its doors in 1978 the city has been experiencing a tremendous rebirth making it an even more popular resort then it was during its heyday from the early 1900s to the mid-1960s.

As well as the expansion taking place at many of the existing casinos, many new resorts are being planned, such as the Showboat which will cater to families and will include 100 bowling lanes.

The 11 existing casino properties offer an opportunity to relax and enjoy. Combined these hotels have 6,000 hotel rooms, over 80 restaurants, over 1,100 gaming tables and about 16,000 slot machines.

Unlike Las Vegas, where the casinos run nonstop 24 hours a day, Atlantic City runs its gambling from 10 a.m. to 4 a.m. (6 a.m. on the weekends).

While the casinos appear similar, first time visitors will be tempted to try their luck in every hotel where the one-armed bandits reward some, while frustrate others.

The casino hotels in Atlantic City are: the Atlantis, Bally's Park Place, Caesars, Trump's Castle, Del Webb's Claridge, Golden Nugget, Harrah's Marina, Resorts International, The Sands, Tropicana and Trump Plaza.

These hotels all feature powerhouse entertainers such as Bob Hope, Diana Ross, Kenny Rogers, Joan Rivers and Barry Manilow.

If shopping is your forte, then Atlantic City is sure to please. As well as the multitude of shops along the boardwalk, the Ocean One mall is a haven for true shoppers. Located across from Caesars the mall includes over 120 shops, 30 fast food restaurants plus six family restaurants and pubs enclosed in a 3-level ocean liner-shaped pier extending nearly 1,000 feet from the boardwalk over the Atlantic Ocean.

While sightseeing along the boardwalk can be an enjoyable experience as one takes in the multitude of shops, it can also be tiring to cover it all on foot. For those seeking alternative transport, the rolling chair tour is a must. These hand-pushed carts allow tourists to see the boardwalk while a guide explains the history of the area.

Traveling north of the city, the historic town of Smithville offers visitors a chance to peek into the past. The town includes 36 shops, three restaurants, a bakery and a winery — each an exact replica of colonial buildings from the 1800s.

Wheaton Village will also prove a delight for history buffs. Operated by the Wheaton Historical Association, it strives to preserve the traditions, architecture and early glassmaking techniques of the area as they existed a century ago. Visitors can browse through the paperweight shop, take in the hand crafted work of village artisans and stop for some freshly dipped ice cream. It is located 35 miles west of Atlantic City.

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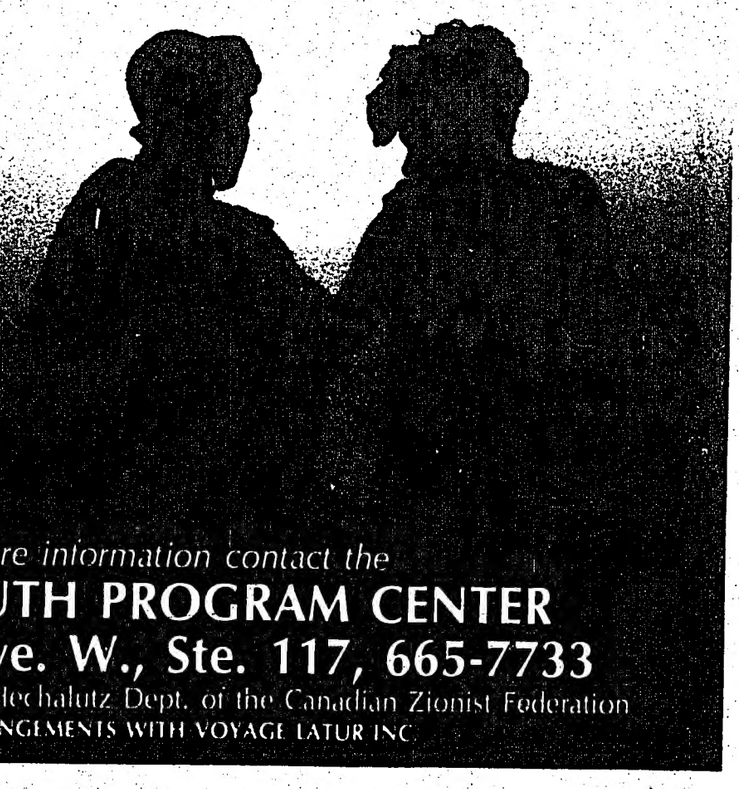

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Travel

Easy access to south Florida attractions

Cozy Surfside caters to "snowbirds" from Canada

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

If you blink while driving down the A1A between Miami Beach and Hallandale, you just might miss it. But tucked away off that stretch of highway is the village of Surfside, a cozy community catering to Canadians.

For the thousands of Canadian "snowbirds" planning a Florida holiday, Surfside has a myriad of features designed to satisfy the most finicky vacationers, says Phil Halpern, executive director of the Surfside tourist board.

There is a fine beach, restaurants, hotels, motels, activities, amenities and efficiencies, he says, (though not quite in those words).

Thousands of Canadians apparently need no convincing, since of the 1 million or so taking in the Florida sunshine each year, 50,000 find their way to Surfside.

Most of them are Montrealers (with a smattering of Torontonians), Halpern notes, and they flee the frigid temperatures and howling winds of the frozen north, making the peak tourist season in Surfside the period between Dec. 15 and Passover.

Surfside is unique in a number of respects, Halpern says. It is ideally located, with easy access to south Florida's many tourist attractions, night life and sports events.

And, compared to other Florida communities, Surfside has "less hulaballoo" since it's built on a smaller scale.

Surfside, which encompasses the area from 88th to 96th Streets in Dade County's oceanside, is dotted with low-rise hotels, many of which offer fully equipped kitchens in all price categories.

These small scale hotels are less congested, try harder, offer personal service, competitive prices and, hoteliers say, a heartfelt effort to make their clients feel at home away from home.

Revamped golden beach

"The hallmark of Surfside," says the village tourist bureau, "is its newly revamped 400-ft. wide golden beach and the inviting Atlantic Ocean — with a great many of the lodgings right at the back door."

Near Surfside (which is just south of Bal Harbour) is the 102-unit Harding Ave. shopping district with its gift shops, fashion salons and boutiques.

The community centre offers an Olympic sized pool and lounge area, shuffleboard, table tennis and cultural activities, and many of the hotels maintain their own pools.

Many of the strip's hotels have remodeled or upgraded recently, such as the Seabrook, 9401 Collins Ave, the Palms, 9449 Collins, Beekman Towers, 9499 Collins, while other hotels on the beach strip are the Seaside Terrace, the Canadian and the Windsor. Altogether, Surfside boasts some 1,000 units, mainly efficiencies and apartments.

Here are some daily rates (plus 7% tax): Beekman, $67 to $122; Canadian, $44 to $65; Coronado, 9501 Collins, $48 to $62; the Seaside Terrace, 9241 Collins, quotes only monthly rates of $1,400 to $2,000.

The Surfside hospitality industry is so geared to hosting Canadian clientele, that for the 22nd year in a row, the community will hold its annual Salute to Canada celebration, March 2-8.

Cultural, entertainment and sports activities as well as the ever-popular Beauty Pageant head up the extravaganza.

Halpern notes a synagogue is available in Surfside for Shabbat services and kosher butchers and restaurants are a short drive away.

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Statue of Liberty's 100th year means Big Apple birthday bash

NEW YORK —

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"As a national monument — and the symbol of freedom for the city, the nation and the world — the Statue of Liberty represents one of the top sightseeing magnets for The Big Apple's 17 million annual visitors," according to Charles Gillett, president, New York Convention & Visitors Bureau.

"To emphasize the grand scope of Lady Liberty's 100th anniversary, the entire year will be filled with an exciting extravaganza of events making The Big Apple a special place to visit in 1986."

Highlights of the celebrations honoring the statue include Liberty Weekend 86, a spectacular production under the supervision of David Wolper (producer of the opening and closing ceremonies for the 84 summer Olympics) from July 3-8.

Major art exhibits will graphically depict the excitement felt 100 years ago when the statue was dedicated. The musuem of the City of New York's Statue of Liberty Centennial features treasures relating to the statue's history including terracotta models of the statue fashioned by sculptor Auguste Bartholdi, and the original manuscript of the majestic poem The New Colossus by Emma Lazarus offering hope and inspiration to millions of immigrants.

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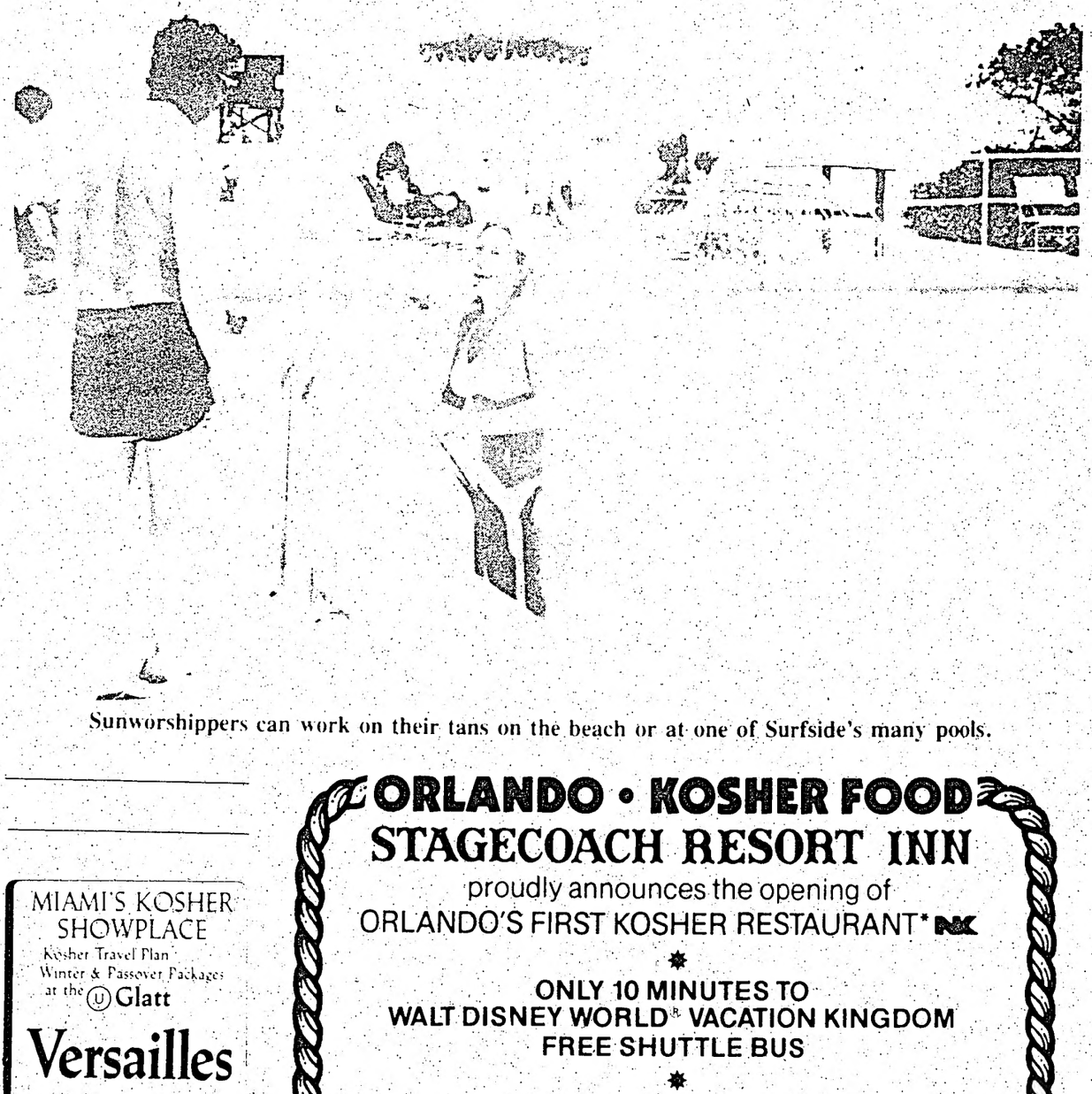

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Even on the prairies

There's plenty of skiing in Canada

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

No matter what part of Canada you visit this winter, you will find snow for skiing, either downhill or cross-country. Even on the prairies there are now ski slopes and cross-country skiing is developing.

North of Toronto the main ski areas with lifts are in the Caledon, Muskoka and Georgian Bay regions. Some have snowmaking equipment to help out when there is not enough of the natural white stuff. A bit further north in the Temagami area new ski slopes have been opened in recent years.

Elsewhere in Ontario you'll find some skiing near Sault Ste. Marie while at Thunder Bay, at the western end of Lake Superior, there is a small range of mountains which are used for ski-jumping contests as early as December.

There are about two dozen ski lifts of various types in use at Thunder Bay and facilities for cross-country skiing.

In the Ottawa area the Gatineau Hills in nearby Quebec province, have downhill and cross-country ski trails, and skiing is probably the most popular winter outdoor sport in Ottawa.

Early skiers usually head for the Montreal region where there are many small communities which rely on Alpine and cross-country skiing for their winter economy. In the Laurentian Mountains north of Montreal there is skiing at St. Jerome, Mont Tremblant, Ste. Adele, Piedmont, St. Jovite and other communities. Here there are about 30 downhill ski centres, with their own snowmaking equipment for use when required, and 175 different ski lifts. Some have night skiing facilities.

Cross-country ski trails have been laid out covering more than 900 miles (1,500 kilometres). There are ski schools, and a great many hotels serving first class French Canadian and continental food. Top Canadian and United States entertainers appear at some of these resorts.

There is cross-country as well as downhill skiing in Garibaldi Provincial Park not far from Vancouver.

Further east in the Quebec City area, you can ski within a few miles of Canada's oldest city at Lac Beauport, Stoneham and Mont Ste. Anne. The only gondola ski lift system in Eastern Canada is at Mont Ste. Anne with 74 cars each capable of carrying four skiers on a 14-minute run to the upper terminal.

Dress warmly if you go, for the winds from the St. Lawrence River far below are strong, as this travel reporter has found on several trips up the mountain. There are more lifts from here to the top.

Mont Ste. Anne has 29 downhill ski slopes, the longest 3 miles (almost 5 km) with the river always in view.

South of the St. Lawrence River is the Sherbrooke ski area, better known as the Eastern Townships region, a recent entry in the ski field, with many lifts in the rolling countryside, and friendly small hotels.

East of Quebec province there is skiing in the Atlantic provinces, not well known outside the New Brunswick communities of Campbellton, Sussex and Fredericton; Nova Scotia's Cape Breton Island, Truro and Windsor areas; Newfoundland's Corner Brook area on the fjord-like west coast.

West of Ontario you'll find downhill skiing in the La Riviere area south of Winnipeg, in Whiteshell Provincial Park near the Manitoba-Ontario border, and in Riding Mountain National Park, northwest of Winnipeg.

There is little skiing in Saskatchewan, a fairly flat rolling region. There are now cross-country ski trails and some downhill skiing on man-made ski slopes near Saskatoon and some low hills near Moose Jaw.

Alberta is where the mountain skiing starts. Best known are the Banff and Jasper sections in the national parks. At Lake Louise there is even a gondola chair lift which goes up almost 3,000 feet (900 metres). Popular here are Marmot Basin in Jasper National Park, Mount Norquay and Sunshine Village in Banff National Park, and helicopter skiing in the Kananaskis Mountains in the Banff area.

Mountain skiing is what you'll find in British Columbia. There are ski lifts at Harrison Hot Springs, Kamloops, in Garibaldi Provincial Park and Manning Provincial Park, at Rossland, Kelowna, Penticton and many other spots this reporter has visited.

There is excellent helicopter skiing in the Bugaboo Mountains near the Alberta border, where the helicopter delivers expert skiers with guide on a glacier for a 10-mile (16-km) long downhill run in virgin windswept snow.

In Vancouver it is only a 30-minute ride by public transportation from downtown to the gondola lift system up Grouse Mountain. You see the big city and seacoast spread out below you as the lift takes you up to snowclad slopes, from where there are more ski lifts to higher slopes on the mountain.

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Brian Wilks picks up first goals of NHL career

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Looks like Brian Wilks has made it as a pro hockey player. At least for now.

The 19-year-old centreman picked up the first goal of his NHL career against the Boston Bruins recently, but his Los Angeles Kings continued their slow start and lost again.

Still, for Wilks, this season is a definite improvement over 1984.

Last year at this time, Wilks was toiling for the Kitchener Rangers of the Ontario Hockey League after being "sent down" by the Kings (CJN Nov. 15, 1984).

No matter. Wilks, the Kings' second round draft choice and 24th junior chosen overall in the 1984 draft, still had a couple of years of junior eligibility left.

This year, the 19-year-old from Don Mills impressed the LA coaching staff sufficiently to keep the up-and-coming centre on hand.

According to the bible of hockey watchers, The Hockey News, Wilks was in tough competition for the Kings' 4th centre spot.

But so far, according to the League's head office in Montreal, he has played in 11 of the Kings' first 17 games.

As far as the statistics go, well, they don't say much. Only that the deft centreman had, at CJN press time, picked up two goals, one assist, is plus 2 (the Kings have scored two goals more than they allowed when he's been on the ice) and he has a modest 7 minutes in penalty time.

Let's hope it's the start of a successful NHL career.

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Speaking of NHL careers, the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association and Mac's Convenience Stores have combined their efforts to publish and distribute a manual to improve the hockey skills of young players.

Copies of the Hockey Fitness and Skills Manual are available at 750 Mac's outlets throughout Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia for the modest price of $1.

Fitness and conditioning expert Cecil "Cec" Eaves authored the publication in conjunction with Paul Coffee, Edmonton's Oilers' Norris-winning defenceman.

The illustrated 40-page manual discusses organizing and following a weekly fitness regimen, developing and maintaining flexibility and fitness during the season and working on specific hockey skills such as skating, shooting and passing.

The booklet is geared for youngsters competing in minor hockey programs, and 75% of the proceeds from the sale of the manual will go to minor hockey.

Sixty cents of each dollar goes to the CAHA-sanctioned minor hockey associations located nearest the Mac's store selling it, while 15¢ will go the CAHA's Development Program directed towards Canadian Olympic prospects.

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The Jewish Community Centre will hold the 9th annual Chanukah Run for Freedom on Sunday, Dec. 1.

The run, open to both members and non-members, will cover three different routes with distances of either 5, 10 or 21 km.

Bus service to the three starting points — the Toronto airport (21 km), Black Creek Dr. and Lawrence Ave. W. (10 km), Bathurst and Lawrence (5 km) — will be provided by the JCC. All runs finish at the JCC northern branch.

Water stations and an emergency communications team will be stationed at points along the run, and participation certificates and a guest pass to either the men's or women's health clubs will be awarded.

There will also be a babysitting service provided from 8.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

After the run finishes at noon, a Chanukah ceremony will begin and a brunch, consisting of bagels, cream cheese, coffee and other delights, will be offered.

For more information, contact the JCC sports department at 636-1880.

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An Israeli soccer star was under fire from politicians and other players last week after he said Arabs should no longer play for the national team, Reuter news agency reports.

Shlomo Kirat told reporters Arab players Rifat Turk and Ziya Armeli, Israel's top scorer in recent World Cup matches, "represent the Arabs and not the people of Israel."

Three parliamentarians called for Kirat's suspension from the team and said he also should be banned from local games.

Kirat, a defensive player for the national team, supports militant rabbi Meir Kahane, who wants to expel all Arabs from Israel.

His remarks came as Israel's Football Association started an inquiry into the team's dismal performance in World Cup qualifying matches, after its elimination by Australia.

Armeli, at $90,000 a year the country's highest paid soccer player, is considering legal action against Kirat, his lawyer said.

B'nai B'rith hockey scores for the week of Nov. 21.

A DIVISION

LMOL Hawks 2 — Canyon Reds 2
TFL Whalers 4 — TFL Teammates 2
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Player of the week was Stuart Himmel of the TFL Whalers.

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TFL Feathers 6 — LMOL Reds 2
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Player of the week was Lee Abbott of the TFL Feathers.

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North York Habs 2 — Canyon Panthers 0
TFL Flyers 6 — LMOL Brewers 0
Don Mills Wasters 8 — Maccabiah Grinders 1
Maccabiah Weiss Guys 4 — TFL Hav A Kars 1
TFL Flood 5 — TFL Refiners 0
Manor Metro Angels 2 — Maccabiah Black Hawks 0
Forestdale Blades 3 — Toe Biz Maccabiah 1
LMOL Furriers 5 — Don Mills Presidents 2

Player of the week was Michael Bronstein of the LMOL Furriers.

CBC radio provides Inside Track on sports

By
DAVID PIERSON

TORONTO —

Tired of rah rah sports journalism? Tired of hearing about how improved the Maple Leafs are this year?

If you are, you can find a solution on CBC AM radio, on Monday nights at 7:30.

Inside Track is a half hour show soley concerned with sports journalism.

Producer of the show Ira Basen, says that Inside Track's Monday night time slot is perfect since it is the slowest night of the week for sports events and the show doesn't have to be concerned about updating scores and highlights.

"Inside Track is unique in broadcasting. We're trying to get away from the old format of club boosterism and get behind some feature length pieces like the Globe and Mail sports section does."

Basen says since Inside Track is defining sports as widely as possible they have been spilling over into other areas such as politics and psychology when covering topics like the dome stadium issue or the pressures of college football in the NCAA.

Basen says that it is a real luxury to be able to spend 10 or 12 minutes on a piece as it allows for some in-depth reporting.

"We want to appeal to the sports fan who wants more than scores and highlights. We're going to be tackling topics like the future of the CFL or what it's like to play for a football factory like Oklahoma State."

Basen says he also wants to add some humorous pieces to Inside Track as he feels sports fans have been unfairly accused of taking sports too seriously when in fact they've always had a sense of humor about their games.

Ira Basen with Hulk Hogan

Basen comes to Inside Track with some solid producing experience behind him as field producer for the CBC show Sunday Morning.

"I liked doing the show but it was a lot of work and it took a lot out of you, traveling around all the time."

So far Basen has found his niche with Inside Track entering its eighth week of production and he expressed his hopes that it will be renewed come next June.

Knowledgeable sports fans all across Canada will be hoping right along with him. After all — who needs another ridiculous column about how greatly the Leafs have improved this year?

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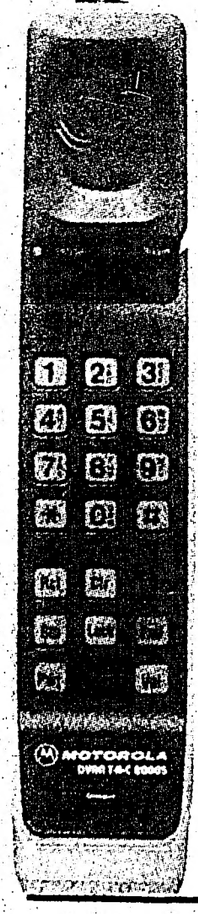

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The Standing Committee on Procedural Affairs and Agencies, Boards and Commissions will commence hearings in December, 1985, on the methods by which it believes that appointments should be made to agencies, boards and commissions of the Government of Ontario to which the Lieutenant Governor in Council makes some or all of the appointments and all corporations in which the Crown in right of Ontario is a majority shareholder.

The Committee invites written submissions from individuals, groups or organizations wishing to comment on the above-noted subject. All briefs should be deposited with the Clerk of the Committee not later than Friday, 6 December 1985.

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"We respect our client's time and money"

Architects stress design, personal involvement

By
MARK DODICK

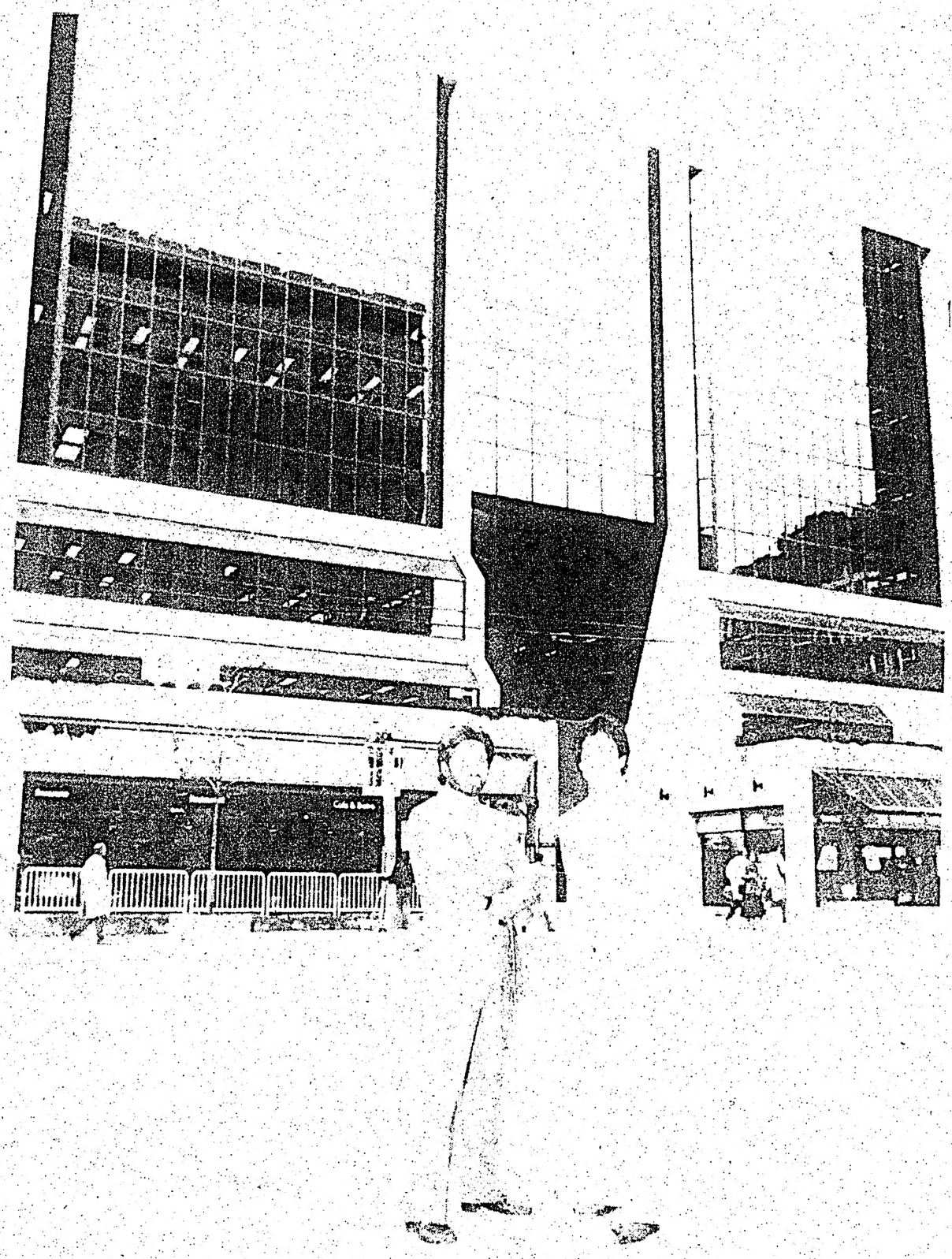
TORONTO —

A fine line exists between a building drawn on a blueprint and a completed project. But two Jewish architects say that by being design oriented, multidisciplined and emphasizing service to the client they have consistently transformed ideas into structures.

Steven Kirshenblatt and Clifford Korman, partners in Kirshenblatt Korman Maniates Architects & Planners, merged in 1981 (Denny Maniates became the third partner in 1982) to provide what they describe as "quality design and close personal involvement."

That involvement has prompted the partnership to design and develop a variety of projects such as the first and second phases of Shaar Shalom Synagogue in Thornhill, an expansion to Shaarei Beth-El Synagogue in Oakville and renovations to the Lodzer Holocaust Centre.

"Architecture has become a very business oriented profession. You really have to combine your business skills with your artistic talents," says Kirshenblatt.



Clifford Korman (left) and partner Steven Kirshenblatt stand before the building their architectural firm, Kirshenblatt Korman Maniates, designed at 40 Eglinton E.

"We respect our client's time and money. That is how we achieve growth in a tight marketplace. Growth is achieved by winning jobs from other firms," says Korman balancing his partner's classic restraint with his own expressive volubility.

That active balance between their personalities, Korman suggests, is reflected in their work habits. "I speak and run, act as a catalyst and generate ideas. Steven is like my backstop. He can criticize my projects and bring them to a presentation."

And more than a few projects have been brought to presentation and fruition.

The scope of their work ranges from home renovations of $50,000 to $100,000 to prime quality multiple industrial buildings costing $3 million to a $40 million, mixed use, residential complex, Korman says.

Among those recently completed are an office building at 40 Eglinton E. The 7-storey 112,000 square foot structure has a step-up glass facade, open, airy and inviting. Reflections of other buildings, traffic and pedestrian passersby sparkle in the panes.

And projects on their drawing boards include a prototype for a living centre for PHIACS (Physically Handicapped Independent Advancement Community Services) that will be accessible for both the handicapped and their families.

However, one common dilemma confronts the architect on every project, Kirshenblatt explains. "There is a tremendous time constraint. As a designer you wish you had more opportunity to explore more designs.

"But as a businessman you've taken on commitments which usually dictate the ultimate design solution. You really have to listen to what your client wants."

But when his imagination pushes his pen to fill a blank page with diagrams, and when the client grins in satisfaction and says 'let's build it,' Korman says he gets what he calls the "naches factor."

"You design something on paper and then you can stand in it and touch it and it has been successful, people appreciate it and it's a terrific feeling."

And appreciation has also come from fellow professionals. Among the degrees and certificates hanging on the boardroom wall are the records of recognition.

A second prize award from the federal government for low energy building design bears Kirshenblatt's name. Korman has a silver medal for design excellence from the Ontario Association of Architects for urban design.

Describing themselves as a mid-sized firm (the office comprises 14 people), Kirshenblatt and Korman still have a few projects they dream of realizing.

For Korman, it's any multidiscipline structure, and "in truth the more complex, the more exciting," he adds.

Kirshenblatt genuinely admires Disney World as an architectural landmark. Someday he hopes a client will commission him to design a Caribbean or Mediterranean resort.

Outside their profession, which they say consumes 60 to 70 hours per week, the two young architects still manage to maintain personal lives.

Korman and his wife Katy have two sons, Aaron, 4, and Noal, 3 months. The family are members of Beth Lida Forest Hill Congregation, and he is vice-president of the Don Mills lodge of B'nai B'rith.

Kirshenblatt and his wife Fern have a daughter, Alana, 4, and a son, Benjamin, 1½. They are members of Beth Sholom Synagogue, and he belongs to the Forestdale Heights lodge of B'nai B'rith.

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Business Outlook

Community activist just can't say no

Berger optimistic about Montreal

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

Monty Berger says that "on reflection" he has probably never volunteered for any community activity in his life.

But Berger, who confesses to "an inability to say no" to a persuasive argument has accepted over the years a seemingly endless number of positions in the Montreal Jewish community.

Among the many, those positions include: every office but president of the Jewish Vocational Service; chairman of the community planning committee of Allied Jewish Community Services (the Montreal equivalent of Toronto Jewish Congress); president of AJCS; national chairman of archives; and membership on various other committees and subcommittees.

Somehow, Berger also found time to be the first Jewish president of the Canadian Club of Montreal, a member of the John Howard Society, and the Montreal Rehabilitation Centre.

Not only was he a founding member of the Montreal branch of the Canadian Public Relations Society, but he also served as president of both the Montreal and Toronto branches. And in 1978, the society awarded him its highest honor, the Lamp of Service Award.

As busy as he is, however, Berger flew into Toronto recently on one rain-soaked afternoon for the 25th anniversary and official opening of the renovated Toronto offices of Berger & Associates Canada Inc., his marketing communications and public affairs company.

Monty Berger

His firm, described in a 1981 article in the Westmount Examiner as the second or third largest public relations consulting firm in Canada, now has offices in Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal, its home base.

In an interview with The CJN, Berger spoke of the origins of his community involvement, his professional background and general concerns for the Jewish community.

"To single out a particular motivation for contributing to the community might not give the whole picture," says Berger speaking slowly, carefully and precisely.

"I came from a family that has been characteristically involved with the community. My father was a founding member of Shaarei Zion Congrégation in Montreal.

"I'm a relatively bashful person and would not take the initiative and participate, but my interests were quickly aroused if I was given the appropriate sales pitch."

The veteran community worker was born in Quebec City in 1918. When he was 4, his family moved to Montreal where his father Rabbi Julius Berger became spiritual leader of Adath Yeshurun; and later founding rabbi of Shaarei Zion.

Berger received an honors degree in political science and economics from McGill University in 1939 and then a Masters degree in journalism from the Pulitzer School of Journalism at Columbia University.

He cut his teeth as a reporter for the Quebec City Chronicle Telegraph before joining the RCAF, becoming a radar specialist and going overseas to Britain in 1941.

Crossing into Normandy on D-Day, Berger eventually served in northern Germany. He still holds the "indelible impression" of a visit he made to Bergen Belsen.

Back in Montreal in 1945, Berger wore the "rehabilitation editor's" visor for the Montreal Gazette. He left the paper in 1947 to work on publications for C-I-L and became public relations manager in 1954. He began Berger & Associates in 1960.

"I still view public relations problems and responsibilities through the eyes of a city editor. And the challenge to me as a PR specialist is to attempt to have the message we're interested in accepted by the recipient of the message."

Asked about what concerns he holds for the Montreal Jewish community, Berger answers that he is pretty optimistic about its future.

While he expects the population will continue to decrease, "the nucleus of the community continues to be strong and vibrant."

But . . . Berger does worry about the cost burden parents face trying to educate their children in a Jewish environment.

"Every Jewish child lost to the Jewish environment as they grow up is a loss of great consequences," he says.

"The vision of potential Jewish identity and loyalty is a cost that far transcends the $ cost to ensure that every child qualified to go into a Jewish day school should do so."

Between his professional and communal activities, Berger married Sonia Mindel in 1947 and together they raised three children: Ann, Joy and Eric. Sonia died in 1977 and Monty married Jean Soloway Levy in 1980.

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Wintraub, Sadie on 9/24/85, late of 400 Walmer Rd., #712, Toronto.
Miles, Samuel on 9/26/85, late of 15 Regina Ave., Toronto.
Erenberg, Sonia on 9/28/85, late of 3560 Bathurst St., Toronto.
Atkin, Calvin on 9/27/85, late of 715 Finch Ave. W., Toronto.
Novak, Sam on 9/27/85, late of 32 Redmount Rd., Toronto.
Elkind, Harry on 10/8/85, late of 4350 Bathurst St., #305.
Cohen, Irving on 10/1/85, late of 10 Shallmar Blvd., #906, Toronto.
Davidson, Jack on 10/1/85, late of 85 Allingham Gardens, Toronto.
Silverberg, Molly on 9/30/85, late of 4383 Bathurst St., Toronto.
Lewis, Anna on 10/1/85, late of Cheltenham Nursing Home, Toronto.
Zidenberg, Sylvia on 9/30/85, late of 30 Bainbridge Ave., Toronto.
Bernstein, Max on 9/30/85, late of 6 Grimthorpe Rd., Toronto.
Manheim, Sidney on 10/2/85, late of 20 Shallmar Blvd., #602, Toronto.
Moinesteanu, Basa on 9/30/85, late of 6250 Bathurst St., #1114, Toronto.
Rosen, Harry on 10/30/85, late of 100 Canyon Ave., #403, Downsview.
Fine, Frank on 10/4/85, late of 1 Northwestern Ave., Toronto.
Kaplan, Lillian on 10/5/85, late of 1805 Steeles Ave. W., Toronto.
Gold, Percy on 10/4/85, late of 257 Seale Ave., Toronto.
Kabatznik, Sarah on 10/5/85, late of 35 Canyon Ave., Toronto.
Steinitz, Elias on 10/5/85, late of 466 Bedford Pk. Ave., Toronto.
Ludwig, Max on 10/6/85, late of 3560 Bathurst St., Toronto.
Feldberg, Irving on 10/8/85, late of 242 Glenholme Ave., Tor. M6E 3C8.
Pesses, Szoel on 10/7/85, late of 217 Times Rd., Toronto.
Neiger, Simon on 10/7/85, late of 4415 Bathurst St., Toronto.
Goldstein, Morris on 10/7/85, late of 63 Gambello Cres., Toronto.
Weingarten, Rose on 10/4/85, late of 194 Old Forest Hill Rd., Toronto.
Cohen, Fay on 10/9/85, late of 3888 Bathurst St., #304, Toronto.
Lipshitz, Rosie on 10/9/85, late of 1071 Eglinton Ave. W., #205, Toronto.
Inwood, Alvin on 10/9/85, late of 7 Caravan Dr., Don Mills.
Rosen, Baby on 10/4/85, late of 59 Robert Hicks Dr., Toronto.
Burke, Baby on 10/1/85, late of 106 Cranbrooke Ave., Toronto.
Mendelsohn, Gillian on 10/10/85, late of 390 Woburn Ave., Toronto.
Lerer, Rosa on 10/11/85, late of 100 Canyon Ave., Toronto.
Haller, Aviv on 10/10/85, late of 1829 Tupper St., Montreal.
Joseph, Sophie on 10/14/85, late of 20½ Walmer Rd., Toronto.
Bernhard, Hans-Dieter on 10/14/85, late of 148 Glenrose Ave., Toronto.
Goldberg, Al on 10/14/85, late of 20 Robbie Ave., Toronto.
Richmond, Theodore on 10/14/85, late of 625 Avenue Rd., #1402, Toronto.
Cvi, Isaak on 10/15/85, late of 122 James Grey Dr., Will. M2H 1P1.

BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

"Sweet and sour and sometimes bitter"

Author recalls shtetl life brimming with vitality

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — The shtetls of eastern Europe "went up in flames and were drowned in a sea of blood" but before that happened, they were alive with a rich and vibrant Jewish culture.

In Hamilton recently, an appreciative audience was treated to a fascinating glimpse of that bygone era by a spry and lively "90-year-old plus six months," who was born in a Galicia shtetl, educated in Vienna and returned to Poland to live in Cracow and Warsaw before becoming caught up in the Holocaust.

Joachim Schoenfeld, author of the recently published Shtetl Memoirs and Holocaust Memoirs is, as Rabbi Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Sholom pointed out in his introduction, "a man who has a story to tell and who tells it with eloquence and meaning." He was at Shalom Village to present the first of four Jewish Community Centre sponsored Jewish Book Month programs.

Schoenfeld divided the Jews of 19th century Europe into three distinct "zones of Jewish habitation: Western Europe, where the overwhelming majority of Jews were becoming assimilated" but where "anti-semitism was always on the backburner;" Poland, where before the partition at the end of the 18th century, Jews lived a life that was "sweet and sour and sometimes bitter;" and those who, after partition, came under Russian rule, to live in the pale, "Jewish islands in a sea of Christianity . . . subjected to a life of persecution."

Jewish life "was wrapped around religion and nothing was allowed to disturb it," said Schoenfeld.

Although the "highest study of the Torah" was strictly for the men, girls were taught to read write Yiddish and enough Hebrew so that "there were no illiterates and everyone could daven."

No Jewish child should go without attending cheder, said Schoenfeld, who later disclosed that he first called his book, originally written in one volume, 50 Years From The Shtetl To The Jewish State, 1898-1948 because his recollection date from 1898 when he began attending cheder at the age of 3.

Marriages were arranged, family life was very close and divorce rare and when Jews quarreled, they took their disagreements to the rabbis. "The findings of the rabbinical court were binding" while "the findings of the secular court were considered a sacrilege."

There were no Jewish drunkards or murderers and Jewish society had the same divisions as any other: the rich at the top, the comfortably off in the middle, those at the bottom usually large families crammed into one or two rooms "and finally the kapzonim, the paupers, living in dilapidated huts and dependent on charity."

There were those who wanted to change Jewish life and to emulate the Jews of western Europe and they were the ones who paved the way for Zionism," said Schoenfeld.

There was much superstition, people believed in the devil and "to be on the safe side, one should always say 'kayn ayne-hora' and wear an amulet" while anyone having bad dreams was advised to fast.

Knowledge of Polish and Ukrainian was confined to essential phrases needed for business and those who adopted western dress were called "Deitchen," added Schoenfeld amid laughter.

Despite a heavy accent, Schoenfeld's command of English is excellent and he explained later that he studied English as part of his economics course at University in Vienna.

After leaving Poland in the early 1950s, Schoenfeld lived in Israel four years before coming to Canada in 1957. He lived in Hamilton for 13 years before moving to Toronto in 1969.

Policy will be set at Network assembly

TORONTO — More than 500 Jewish students and young adults from every part of the continent are to gather here Dec. 26-30 to participate in the Biennial International General Assembly of the North American Jewish Students' Network.

Each day will target one general area of Jewish concern including Anti-semitism in North America and Abroad, and Israel-Diaspora Relations: Our Mutual Responsibilities; organizers say. Morning sessions will be devoted to exploring issues with an eye to identifying problems while the latter part of the day will be spent developing and planning solutions.

Included on the roster of almost 100 resource persons expected to attend the assembly are Yaacov Tsur, Israel's minister of immigration and absorption, and Emil Fackenheim, internationally known philosopher and author.

Capping each day will be top-notch entertainment including live bands, dances, concerts and films.

But, there is much "more to Network's General Assembly than top speakers and great entertainment," says Moshe Ronen, North American president of Network. "The students who attend bear a great responsibility both for themselves and on behalf of North American student Jewry. They will be asked to elect the leadership of North America's only independent union of Jewish students and young adults."

In addition, the delegates, meeting in plenary assembly, "constitute Network's highest decision-making body," he said. "They will be asked to initiate and pass legislation binding Network to action and positions of policy."

The convention is open to all Jewish students and young adults. It will be held at Toronto's Skyline Hotel, a first-class facility with a wide variety of sports and recreational offerings.

For further information and registration, contact local Jewish student campus groups, local federations, or Network, 750 Spadina Ave., Suite 210, Toronto M5S 2J2, (416) 928-9160.

Costa Rican pledges embassy will stay

NEW YORK — Dr. Oscar Arias Sanchez, candidate for the presidency of Costa Rica, has pledged that if elected in February he will keep his nation's embassy in Jerusalem. His opponent, Rafael A. Calderon Fournier, has made the same promise.

Arias, candidate of the ruling Partido Liberacion Nacional and an adviser to President Luis Albergo Monge, spoke recently before a meeting of ADL's Latin American Affairs Committee, attended by representatives of other national Jewish organizations.

Calderon, candidate of the Partido Unidad Social Cristiana, made his pledge at a meeting of Jewish groups in Washington in July.

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